

ANDOVER TOWNSMAN

Health Director Everett Penney: Problems 'worse if anything' at AHS

By Neil Fater

As the town's bulked-up scrutiny of the Andover High School construction project uncovers state building code violations and other problems, the town's top health official says Andover's leaders are responsible for the continued problems because they haven't acted sufficiently to stop them.

"It seems to me that if I had that kind of a situation taking place in my own house, I" would

make sure the problems were stopped, said Everett Penney, health director. "The town of Andover didn't cause the problems but it was certainly the town of Andover's responsibility to address the problems and that hasn't been done."

During a Monday visit to the school last week, Kaija Gilmore, building inspector, found 15 items worth noting in a memo she sent to the key players in the

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Boston-area rabbi, Mark Newton, in Andover

By Neil Fater

In early spring, when the members of Congregation Tifereth Israel move into their expanded South Main Street location, they will bring with them Mark Newton, their new rabbi.

Sure, "new" Rabbi Newton has been associated with the congregation since autumn. But he's found the "new" before his title doesn't fall away as easily as New England's leaves.

"I'm starting to get to the

point where I'm associated with the synagogue," said Rabbi Newton, who recently renewed his contract. "But sometimes I find it takes several years before they stop referring to you as 'the new rabbi' or 'the new pastor.'"

Rabbi Newton was ordained in 1991 at Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Pennsylvania. He came to the Boston area, and to Andover's Congregation Tifereth Israel, from a rural, college town in Ohio, he said.

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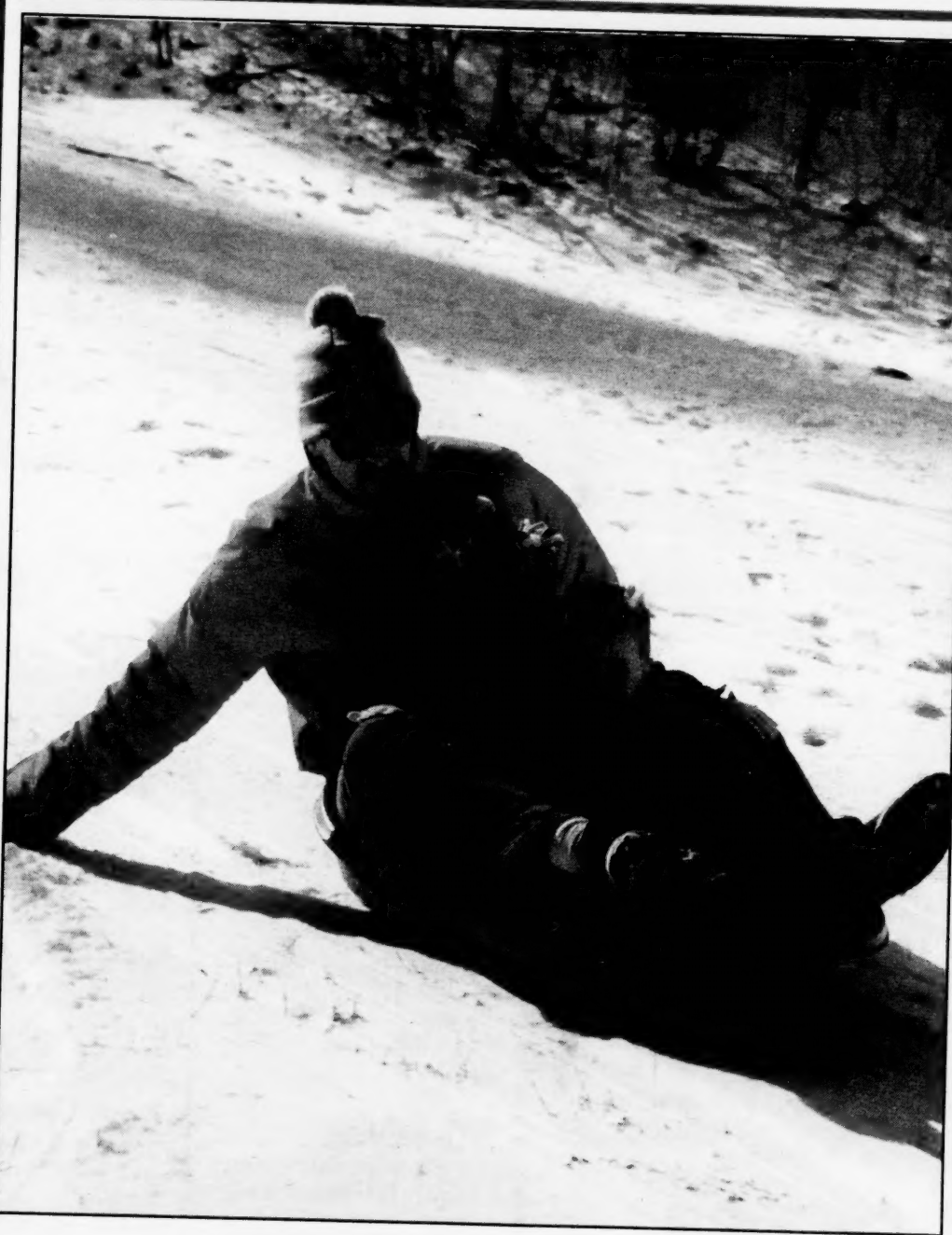


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Andover resident Tom Lynch and his children, Sarah, 2 years old, and Timmy, 4, spent Presidents Day, Monday, sledding at Rec Park. Mr. Lynch said that in past years they've gone to Andover High School for sledding, but that's no longer an option, due to construction. It's public school vacation week, and kids were looking for entertainment around town.

Writing: Reality vs. fiction

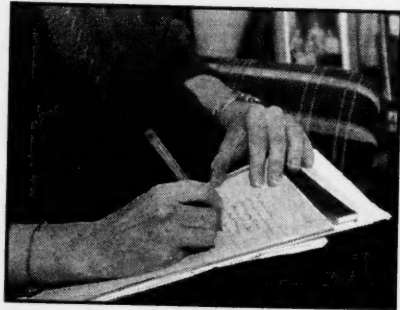
By Neil Fater

Suppose you had to create a painting called "Writer at Work."

What would it look like?

Would the writer be preparing for a new novel by relaxing near the water at a villa in the south of France? Or would the writer be holed up in a secluded cabin surrounded by spent cigarettes and clumps of hair ripped out in frustration?

Well, if you wanted to paint a more typical scene, you'd probably paint nothing of the kind. While the most famous and successful scribes may have their own writing huts and nothing



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else to do but write for months at a time, many paid and published writers squeeze their few hours

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Report is from U.S. Congress members

The committee of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will present a special report from Martin Meehan and John Tierney, members of U.S. House of Representatives, Monday, Feb. 24, from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at Andover Marriott. Dan Warner, editor of *The Eagle-Tribune*, will be the moderator.

The cost is \$15. For more information, call 686-0900.

Blood drive set for March 13 at church

Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish Knights of Columbus, in association with the American Red Cross, will sponsor a regional blood drive at its parish hall, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Thursday, March 13, 2-8 p.m.

Donors can make an appointment by calling St. Robert at 683-8922 or drop by. For general information regarding donations, call Jon Chapman at the American Red Cross at 1-800-462-9400. Ext. 2092.

March 4 eye clinic is free in North Andover

A free eye screening for glaucoma, cataracts and diabetic retinopathy will be held Tuesday, March 4, at Heritage at North Andover, 700 Chickering Road, from 1 to 3 p.m. Call 683-1300 for reservations.

RSVP to sponsor radon program

The Andover Chamber of Commerce's second annual Radon Awareness Week will be held the week of Feb. 24-28. A booth will be set up at the Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The project is set up to educate residents about the serious dangers of radon exposure in homes. Radon is a natural radioactive gas which, if found in high concentrations indoors, can be hazardous to one's health. It is colorless and odorless and can seep into homes through surrounding soil, through cracks and other openings in the foundation.

Radon test kits, the only way to detect it, will be sold at the Senior Center that week for \$5. The kits normally sell for \$20 and more. Volunteers will show how to complete the test kit and offer assistance with resolution of the problem.

Candidates' forum set for March 6

The Andover Chamber of Commerce will hold a selectman candidates' forum Thursday, March 6, at Andover Marriott from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Candidates invited include James E. Fox, John Hess, Susan Jenkins, Larry Larsen and Brian Major. The continental breakfast costs \$5.

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Senator John O'Brien plans local hours

State Senator John D. O'Brien, D-Andover, will hold office hours in Andover at the following locations: Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., Thursday, Feb. 20, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., and Memorial Hall Library at Elm Square, Monday, Feb. 24, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Rep. Barry Finegold also plans local hours

Representative Barry Finegold will hold office hours Thursday, Feb. 27, at the Andover Senior Center at Whittier Court from 8:30-9:30 a.m., and at Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square, from 6-7 p.m. For more information, call Rep. Finegold at (617)-722-2000.

LWV talk on growth

The League of Women Voters will present the conclusions of its study on residential and commercial/industrial growth in the towns at two forums, Tuesday, Feb. 25, and Thursday, Feb. 27, at 7:30 p.m. Members who participated in the study will summarize their findings and a portion of each forum will be dedicated to discussion and questions. The public is welcome. Call Liz Richter of 6 Basswood Lane for directions.

Quote, unquote . . .

'Y'ou're supposed to be free to wander.

Kathleen Aponick, talking about writing, page 26

'Y'ou're supposed to be by yourself, aren't you? In all the other years, the 20 years I've written, I've been by myself.

Jeanne Schinto, about writing, page 26

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Planners to reconsider Sterling Oakes

By Don Staruk

Planners last week opened a new public hearing for a proposed subdivision at 38-40 Rocky Hill Road even though they have denied two similar plans for the site in the last three years. At least one neighbor has actively fought development of the property.

The proposed development is on land that lies between Route 125 and South Main Street, between Gould and Wildwood roads.

The 11-lot subdivision proposal was submitted by Richard J. Rubino of North Andover, who does business as Sterling Development Co. Mr. Rubino has been trying to build on the site since June of 1994.

Proposals for a 14-lot cluster subdivision and later a 12-lot conventional subdivision were previously denied by planners. Mr. Rubino filed an appeal of the second denial and as a result of a subsequent court settlement planners agreed to consider the new proposal. The new plan addresses all the concerns expressed by planners in denying the last plan, according to Mr. Rubino.

The proposal actually involves two public hearings, one for the definitive site plan and a second for a special permit for earth work at the site. The Board of Health is also reviewing the new proposal and was scheduled to review septic system designs for the new plan this week.

In addition to the septic systems, issues regarding grading, drainage, easements, retaining walls, rights-of-way and wetlands have been brought up by planners.

Richard Pangonis of 30 Linda Road, a neighbor, is opposed to the development. One of his concerns is that a portion of the land on which the new houses would be built is former wetlands. The wetlands were allegedly filled illegally, and the Department of Environmental Planning has been involved in resolving that dispute. The new plan would reconstruct wetlands to restore what was filled, according to Mr. Rubino. The land is owned by Alfred and Althea Morrison of 36 Rocky Hill Road, but Mr. Rubino has an agreement to purchase it if and when his plan is approved.

Al Buczynski, of 21 Linda Road, also questioned how the owner of the land who allegedly filled the wetlands could be allowed to profit by the sale of his land.

At the hearing last week, Mr. Pangonis and his daughter, Nico-

la, a Salem attorney, questioned Mr. Rubino's legal standing to submit the proposal, the status of his company and his past business practices. Planners pretty much told Mr. and Ms. Pangonis that they were dealing with Mr. Rubino as a qualified applicant.

Frances Cooper, of 6 Rocky Hill Road, questioned whether there was a law that disallowed construction of a subdivision off a dead end street. Rocky Hill Road is a dead end. She also said she heard that the law prevented more than 20 houses from being built on the first 1,000 feet of a dead end road. If true, that would limit Mr. Rubino to 10 houses and prevent anyone else on Rocky Hill from subdividing their own land. Planners did not have an immediate answer for Ms. Cooper on those concerns.

The Sterling Oakes hearings were continued to the Planning Board's next meeting, next Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 8:30 p.m. Planners said they would try to visit the site before that meeting.

In other business last week, planners:

Pike School

- Approved a special permit for a 24,631-square-foot addition to the Pike School on Sunset Rock Road. The addition will add classroom space and improve traffic flow at the school, according to planners.

Southwick Estates

- Denied a preliminary plan for the seven-lot Southwick Estates subdivision off Shaw-sheen Road. Several concerns regarding topography, wetlands, traffic flow and drainage were cited as the reasons for the denial.

New Genetics building

At their Feb. 25 meeting, planners will vote on a site plan special permit for a 41,280-square-foot addition to an existing building at Genetics Institute on Burt Road in Lowell Junction. The addition would be to the rear of the original building on the 53-acre site. It would house manufacturing, office, research and development and mechanical space.

Traffic is a concern in the area but the new space would add no more than 11 trips per hour to the roads in the area, according to a traffic study contracted by Genetics. Planners' concerns were minimal and approval is likely.

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Writing reality

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of writing time per day around their work and home lives.

People such as Andover's Maureen Witbold and Phillips Academy's Nancy Bailey Miller may write in between — or during — lessons.

In fact, of the six Andover people photographed and interviewed for the center-spread, "Where Writers Write," all six hold other jobs. Most of them have full-time positions. But, like the rest of us, they're familiar with the stories about how the other half writes.

Ms. Miller, for instance, says she once visited a place in Key West where Ernest Hemingway spent numerous writing hours.

"He had a regular pattern. I don't have that luxury," she says, nothing she has to put three kids through college. "It seems all very idealized and lovely, but for me..."

"The idea of someone sitting at their garret undisturbed is great," says Jeanne Schinto, an author and teacher. But having a garret doesn't seem as crucial to Ms. Schinto as setting aside specific blocks of time she can dedicate to her writing.

"For me structure is very important. The type of writing I'm doing really requires a middle-class existence," she says. "The inspiration (for a story) might come in some intense moment. But execution is pretty hum drum."

It takes hours and hours of pecking away

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FINANCIAL STRATEGIES

by Detlef Schoeppler
American Express Financial Advisors

DOES IT PAY TO WORK PART TIME AFTER RETIREMENT?

"Work banishes three great evils: boredom, vice and poverty." Voltaire
You can hardly pick up a publication for older Americans these days without reading about some energetic retiree who works at a part-time job "just for fun." Many of us may find ourselves a little short of cash after picking up our groceries, prescriptions, or even hitting the shopping malls for holiday, wedding or birthday gifts. This is when the idea of supplementing Social Security and pension income seems pretty inviting.

Should you work after retirement? That depends. If you want to keep working — full or part time — past age 62 or 65, it may make sense to defer Social Security benefits until after you quit working. That's because if you earn more than a certain limit, the government will cut your Social Security benefit. The 1997 earnings limitation (also called the retirement test) is \$13,500 per year or \$1,125 per month if you're age 65 through 69. It's even lower if you're under age 65 — \$8,640 per year or \$720 per month. Furthermore, if you go over the earnings cap, your spouse's benefits will be pared down, too. If you're age 70 or more, there's good news — The sky is the limit. You can make as much money as you wish and your benefits won't be cut.

A monthly test for starters. If you're going to start receiving Social Security benefits, you may be able to get better results during your first calendar year of benefits by using a special rule: You can receive your full benefit for any month that you earn 1/12 or less of the earnings limitation, based on your age. If you earn even \$10 more than 1/12 of that annual earnings limitation, benefits won't be payable for that month.

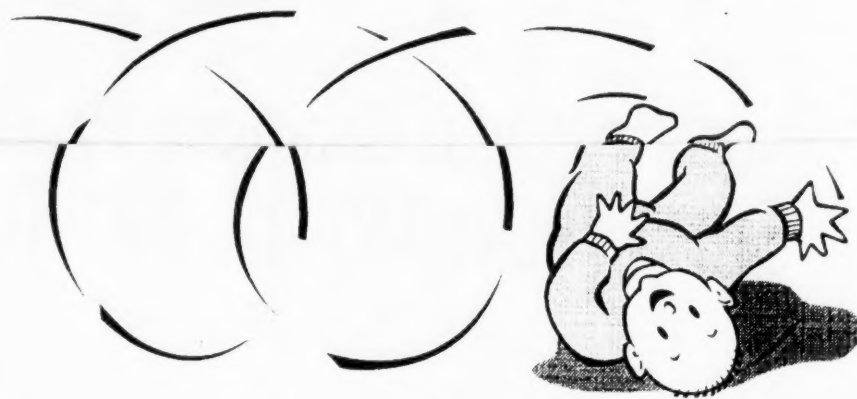
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What about working part time at a business you own? If you're an owner or officer in a business that you or your family owns, you could be in a position to control the amount of earnings reported in your name. Thus, you may need to furnish the Social Security office with additional information, such as tax returns and corporate records. You won't be able to simply pay yourself a smaller salary to stay under the earnings limitations. Your earnings must match the amount of work you continue to perform.

A new law encourages work after age 70. Used to be, if we wanted to avoid a penalty tax, we had to start taking minimum annual amounts out of our qualified retirement plans in April the year after we reached age 70 1/2. Starting in 1997, the requirement is postponed for people who are not yet retired, except for 5% business owners and for IRA owners.

It may be worth it to you to continue working at a job you love, even though you're eligible for retirement payouts. But, you need to have all the facts before you decide. Talk to your financial advisor about your personal retirement goals. And call for an appointment with your local Social Security office at 1-800-772-1213 if you have any questions about earnings limitation rules.

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Extended day, other options eyed for High School

By Neil Fater

Searching for an acceptable way to add educational time to Andover High School students, the school's Strategic Planning Team will meet again Monday, Feb. 24.

The High School needs to make sure students are spending more time in the classroom to comply with the requirements of the state's 1993 Education Reform Act.

One solution would be to extend the school day next year.

Although a change in the school day will most likely lead to a change in the teachers' contract, some school leaders are saying contractual considerations will not affect their decision.

"The options gets decided first and then

Update from planners

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Three new buildings in I-93 corridor

At their March 11 meeting, planners will see a preliminary plan for a new 200,000-square-foot industrial building off 1776 Drive in West Andover. The proposal would be the first for a plot of land behind Grill 93 and along I-93 that is owned by Marty Spagat and which can accommodate up to 1 million square feet of industrial and office space.

Mr. Spagat already owns the former Digital Equipment Building on Minuteman Drive and a building currently under construction at 50 Minuteman Drive. PictureTel Corp., which already leases the former DEC building and which will occupy the 50 Minuteman Drive site, is also the likely tenant for the building being proposed.

Two more new buildings are also being proposed across I-93 on New England Business Center Drive. The first is for a 143,105-square-foot building. The second is 86,767 square feet. Plans for both will be reviewed by planners at their March 11 meeting.

March 4 forum will present options

Tina Girdwood, School Committee chairwoman, "The contract's not going to stand in the way of teaching and progress."

"The focus of all of this should be about what's best for students and improving instruction," said Ellen Parker, Andover High principal.

(This issue was specifically mentioned in the current teachers' contract and thus seems an important issue to many teachers. The current contract contains a line saying, "In making its decisions (during 1996), the School Committee will make every reasonable effort to choose a plan that does not include extending the teacher day.")

Andover High has been preparing for this time change since Tim Thomas was principal, and the planning team is now assessing four general options. Andover plans to implement the

selected option at the start of school next year in September, 1997. Andover's current teachers' contract expires before the beginning of next school year.

"It will be key for all of us to be willing to commit to (the selected option) for a year," said Ms. Parker. But she emphasized whatever option is selected will be just "a departure point" for further study.

Ms. Parker said the four options are still loosely defined. These options will be presented to the community at a forum March 4 in Doherty Middle School's auditorium.

One of the options is being referred to as the "flex time" option. Students would remain in class longer, but teachers would not work any additional hours.

"Basically teachers would be working staggered starting and finishing times. Their contact

with students would remain the same but the school day would be extended," said Ms. Parker.

She said the planning team does not yet know how long the school day would be.

A second option would add three to five minutes onto each class, while otherwise keeping to the current school schedule, said Ms. Parker.

Blocking

Another option, called blocking, would allow for longer classes. The school day would be divided into 90-minute classroom blocks, rather than the current 42-minute blocks, allowing for more time on each subject. Andover is looking at a modified blocking schedule, said Ms. Parker. This would allow some of the 90-minute blocks to be broken into two 40- to 45-minute classes, she said.

Combination of options

A final option is a combination of other options, said Ms. Parker. "Some people would be blocked and some people would not be blocked," she said.

The teachers have about \$20,000 in grant money available to them this summer should they need to do professional development or curriculum work to prepare for a change.

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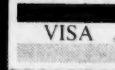
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Firefighter to be honored for valor

By Don Staruk

Fire Chief Harold Wright will present the department's Medal of Valor to Firefighter Robert Pelletier for "unselfish acts" at the scene of a fatal car accident on North Street last Friday, Feb. 14. Although injured when his own ambulance crashed about 200 yards from the original accident, he managed to stabilize his injured partner, call for more help and administer CPR to an unconscious victim of the first accident before being relieved to have his own injuries treated.



Robert Pelletier

Unfortunately, that victim, Eli G. Kalil, 86, of Methuen, died as a result of his injuries, and a 19-year-old Andover man has been charged with motor vehicle homicide in connection with the crash.

"In our job we often see and read about firefighters who unselfishly act in a manner that is above the call of duty. This is such a case," Lt. Robert Stabile wrote in a letter to Chief Wright requesting recognition for Firefighter Pelletier.

According to police, firefighters and witnesses, the initial accident was a head-on crash near 59 North St., at Webster Street, at 12:10 p.m. Mr. Kalil was driving his brown 1987 Mercury Sable south on North Street about 25 miles an hour, which suited road conditions, according to a witness who was driving behind Mr. Kalil. Fresh snow covered the road.

Jonathan Rummel, 19, of 600A Brookside Drive, was delivering pizzas for Bertucci's to an office on Riverside Drive and was going north on North Street. He said he was going about 35 mph.

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IN THE SERVICE

Dennis J. O'Meara

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Dennis J. O'Meara, a 1978 graduate of Andover High School, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Middle East aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Laboon.

The ship left from its home port of Norfolk, Va., in May to enforce the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq and perform maritime interception operations that supported a NATO embargo against Iraq.

Lt. Cmdr. O'Meara was also able to visit Greece, Oman and Palma de Mallorca.

He joined the Navy in July 1978 and graduated the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., in 1982 with a BS degree.

Andrew I. Pedersen

Army 2nd Lt. Andrew I. Pedersen has deployed to the Macedonia, a republic of the former Yugoslavia, on a temporary assignment to participate in a United Nations peacekeeping mission in the Balkan region.

The mission is part of a continuing effort by the United States to support the United Nations contain the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina by maintaining peace and stability in the region by complying with the Balkan Accords.

The platoon leader is normally assigned to the 63rd Armor, Vilseck, Germany.

His wife, Danielle, is the daughter of Pauline Graham of 11 Blueberry Circle.

The lieutenant is a 1991 graduate of Liberty High School in Colorado Springs, and a 1995 graduate of Pomona College in Claremont, Calif.

Timothy S. Yerian

Marine Pvt. Timothy S. Yerian, son of Timothy Yerian of Andover, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Pvt. Yerian successfully completed 11 weeks of training designed to physically and mentally challenge new Marine recruits.

Pvt. Yerian joins 41,000 men and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

He is a 1996 graduate of Methuen High School.

Kevin J. Young

Marine Lance Cpl. Kevin J. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Young Jr. of 8 Starwood Crossing, recently was promoted to his present rank while serving with Marine Wing Support Squadron 271, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C.

Lance Cpl. Young was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

The 1995 graduate of Andover High School joined the Marine Corps in September 1995.

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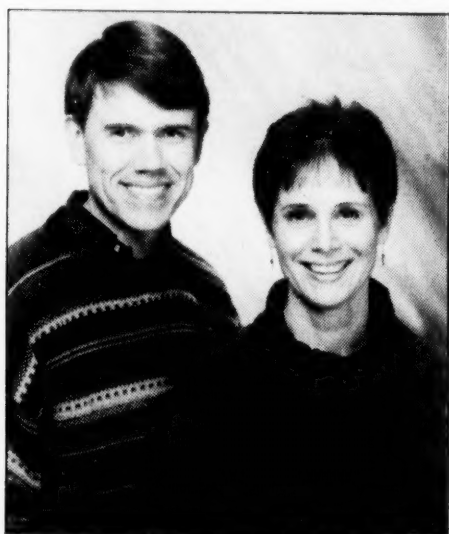
BUSINESS

New business in holistic healing *Physician heal thyself*

Robert Sampson, M.D. and Patricia Hughes, B.S.N., recently moved their holistic practice in mind/body healing from Newton to Andover.

They specialize in helping clients to release energetic blocks that serve to maintain dysfunctional patterns related to health, work, relationships, or other areas, they said.

Dr. Sampson and Ms. Hughes assist each client in learning to use cues from his or her body and surroundings to choose which changes would be



**Robert Sampson, M.D.
and Patricia Hughes, B.S.N.**

She developed numerous difficult-to-diagnose symptoms such as muscle aching, headaches, fatigue, confusion, depression, and sensitivity to a growing number of chemicals, foods, and inhalants, such as dust and mold. Finally, she was diagnosed as having environmental illness, which involves being sensitive to even low levels of chemicals that other people tolerate.

Dr. Sampson, a board certified psychiatrist, was in good health until 1990 when exposure to new carpet precipitated the onset of his environmental illness. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Sampson and Ms. Hughes joined together and devoted all their energies to getting well. They journeyed into the depths of environmental illness and chronic fatigue syndrome before finally discovering ways to heal themselves.

The story of their illness and recovery is contained in their book, *Breaking Out of Environmental Illness: Essential Reading for People with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Allergies & Chemical Sensitivities*, which will be published by Bear & Co. this spring.

Dr. Sampson and Ms. Hughes have worked successfully with people ranging from individuals disabled by chemical exposures (at work or otherwise) or chronic fatigue syndrome, to people with allergies that have not responded to standard medical treatment, to people seeking to change dysfunctional relationships on the job or at home.

Their practice involves working at the mind/body interface to bring clients' inherent wisdom to heal themselves into the treatment equation. One particularly successful method

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most supportive.

Dr. Sampson and Ms. Hughes' interest in this area grows out of personal experiences healing serious illness. Ms. Hughes, who worked for many years in critical care nursing, experienced a steady gradual decline in her health starting in the late 1980s.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Dawn Sihpol, owner of Goose Crossing, holds a hand-made wreath, one of many items in her store on Chestnut Street.

New business: *A crafter's delight*

By Catherine Cannon

As you enter Goose Crossing, the heavenly smell of sachets, incense and dried roses fills the air.

Soft pink flowers and baby's breath flow from the ceiling, while spring wreaths trimmed in pastel ribbons cover the walls.

Stuffed animals like Winnie the Pooh and Raggedy Ann dolls sit clustered in the corner of the floor.

Delicate, minuscule bears are displayed inside wooden antique chests, collected by the owner over the years. An old wooden ironing board serves as

a stand for other creative trinkets and crafted items.

That's not all, either. In the back of the store, located in the so-called mini mall on Chestnut Street, between Main and Bartlet streets, there are large bookcases filled with unique wedding books, baby stories, photo albums and cards.

Dawn Sihpol, of Chelmsford, is the creator of Goose Crossings. She has been creating hand-crafted items for more than 15 years. In her hometown, she had a business for 12 years and

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A crafter's delight

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recently decided that Andover would be a good place to start a new business. All of the items in her store are handcrafted. While customers browse, Ms. Sihpol and her assistants work diligently on their crafts and new works.

"The goal is to have something different than you can find anywhere else," said Ms. Sihpol. "We have hand stenciled slates, wind chimes, bird houses, candles, silk and dried floral arrangements, a little bit of everything."

Ms. Sihpol also commented that the store wraps gifts in seasonal tissue, decorates wedding invitations and takes custom work orders.

"It's a kind of make-you-feel-good kind-a-store with lots of chuckles and grins," she said.

Goose Crossing is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., and on Sunday from 1 until 4 p.m.

Gerald T. Mulligan

Gerald T. Mulligan, president and chief executive officer of Andover Bank, was recently elected to the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, a wholesale bank for housing finance in the six New England states. Institutions eligible for membership include savings banks, savings and loan associations, cooperative banks, commercial banks and credit unions.



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IN THE SERVICE

Andrew J. Cornell

Coast Guard Seaman Apprentice Andrew J. Cornell, son of Douglas W. and Nancy F. Cornell of 22 Hearthstone Place, recently graduated from recruit training at Coast Guard Recruit Training Center, Cape May, N.J.

Seaman Apprentice Cornell is a 1996 graduate of Andover High School.

Raymond A. Jerome

Navy Chief Petty Officer Raymond A. Jerome, a 1978 graduate of Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean and Adriatic seas aboard the guided missile frigate USS Klakring, home-ported in Norfolk, Va.

Chief Petty Officer Jerome visited Crete, Croatia, Greece, Israel, Italy, Sicily, Turkey and the United Kingdom during the deployment. His ship became the first U.S. Naval ship to make a port visit to Croatia since the

Bosnian War.

Chief Petty Officer Jerome joined the Navy in December 1982.

Craig S. Der Ananian

Navy Ensign Craig S. Der Ananian, son of Souran M. and Gail D. Der Ananian of 1 Dean Circle, recently graduated from the Submarine Officer Basic Course.

The 1991 graduate of Phillips Academy joined the Navy in May 1995. He graduated from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., with a BS degree.

Martin J. Dugal

Navy Ensign Martin J. Dugal, son of Gerald M. and Margaret M. Dugal of 8 Theodore Ave., recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Pensacola, Fla.

The 1992 graduate of Andover High School graduated from Villanova University in Villanova, Pa., with a BCE degree.

Rubina R. Hartel

Army 2nd Lt. Rubina R. Hartel has arrived for duty at Camp Henry, Taegu, South Korea.

The finance officer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.D. Rosete of Mountainview.

Her husband is Army 2nd Lt. Joseph E. Hartel, son of Joseph P. and Carol Hartel of 2 George St.

The lieutenant received her bachelor's degree in 1988 from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Alexander S. Maitre

Navy Lt. j.g. Alexander S. Maitre, a 1989 graduate of Andover High School, is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Cushing.

The ship left its homeport of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, as part of the USS Kitty Hawk Battle Group.

Lt. j.g. Maitre joined the Navy in May 1993. He graduated from Boston University in 1993 with a BA degree.

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BUSINESS PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc. recently hosted its 22nd annual meeting of the corporation at the Andover Marriott.

Keynote speaker George S. Moran, senior vice president of operations at Tufts Health Plans, and former executive director at Elder Services, addressed a crowd of more than 350 guests with a subject on everyone's mind: "Managed Care: Opportunities and Challenges for Community Based Organizations."

Special awards were presented to Elder Services' staff for longevity of service and to people in the community, recognizing them for the extraordinary commitments they make on behalf of elders. Honored for 10 years of service at Elder Services was Edith Plantamura, Janice Hrenko, Caroline Schaufus, Mary Ann Bennett, Jennifer Mansfield, Ann Moran, Joanna Taylor and Steve Williams; for 15 years of service were Judy McArdle, Anne Proli, and Kathy Titcomb. Rosanne DiStefano, executive director, was also honored for 20 years of service.

The annual James L. Campbell Award was presented to Amy Alberts, former presi-

dent/CEO of Home Health Visiting Nurse Association in Haverhill. This year's recipient of the David Bruno Caregiver Award was Carmella (Chicky) Grieco of Billerica and the Dr. Leon Somers Scholarship Award recipient is Margaret Swanson of Dracut.

Richard Howland

Don Rodman, president of Rodman Ford, Lincoln-Mercury in Foxboro recently appointed Richard Howland general man-

ager for the Rodman organization, which includes four dealerships in Foxboro and Raynham. Mr. Howland has a B.A. from Claremont Mens College in Claremont, Calif., and a J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem, N.C.

He has been in the automotive industry since 1979 with management experience at the manufacturing and retail level. Most recently he was a facilitator/consultant with Sandy Corporation on the Ford Standards/Process Improve-

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Mr. Howland lives in Andover with his wife, Kathleen, and their two children, Meghann and Alexandria.



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Firefighter noted for valor

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The witness behind Mr. Kalil said it appeared Mr. Rommel's gray 1988 Toyota Camry was going 45 mph. Mr. Rommel's car skidded across into the southbound lane, striking Mr. Kalil's car head on.

Officer Jack Milne was the first officer on the scene. Mr. Kalil was not breathing, so Officer Milne called for an ambulance and reported that he was working a "code." He then began CPR.

Meanwhile firefighters Jacqueline Lynch and Mr. Pelletier were finishing up at an accident about a mile away, near 192 Beacon St., where a car had slid off the road about 15 minutes earlier. They responded to Officer Milne's call and when they rounded a corner on North Street, just past Joseph Street and in view of the first crash, they also began to slide. The ambulance crossed the road, snapped a guy wire to a utility pole, scraped along the pole on the passenger side and continued on, finally slamming a tree on the driver's side.

Firefighter Lynch, who was driving, suffered neck, jaw and leg injuries. Firefighter Pelletier's head stuck the windshield, "spidering" the glass. His knee was also injured. (Neither firefighter was wearing a

seat belt, and neither were Mr. Kalil nor Mr. Rummel wearing one.) But he was able to assess and stabilize his partner while radioing dispatch and "calmly" stating their situation, according to Chief Wright. He asked for more units to respond, then ran the 200 feet to the scene of the original accident.

He confirmed the patient was in full cardiac arrest, ran back to his ambulance to retrieve the defibrillator and returned and took control of CPR from Officer Milne. He continued to direct EMTs arriving at the scene and with his help they loaded the patient into the second Andover ambulance. Firefighter Pelletier was continuing CPR in the ambulance, ready to leave for the hospital, when Chief Wright ordered him to transfer care of the patient to others on the scene and to be assessed for his own injuries.

Mr. Kalil was later pronounced dead at Lawrence General Hospital.

Firefighter Pelletier was treated and released for a head and leg injury. Firefighter Lynch was placed in the back of her own ambulance for treatment until a Tewksbury ambulance arrived to take her to the hospi-

tal. She was initially thought to have suffered a broken jaw, but that turned out not to be the case. She did suffer a cut where a tooth came through her lower lip, and bruises to her jaw, neck and legs. She was treated and released.

"We expect them both back at work Saturday," Chief Wright said Tuesday.

Mr. Rummel was also taken to LGH where he was treated for minor injuries and released. He faces charges of speeding, operating negligently so as to endanger and motor vehicle homicide.

Chief Wright said the department routinely investigates accidents involving department vehicles in addition to the police investigation. He said the ambulance accident is no different and it will be looked at to determine if any laws or department regulations were violated in respect to the conditions.

The chief also said he did not think the outcome would have been any different for Mr. Kalil even if the ambulance had arrived



Jacqueline Lynch

without incident.

"I feel comfortable that the efforts made on his behalf were satisfactory," the chief said.

An autopsy found that Mr. Kalil died from a ruptured aorta as a result of the accident.

Medal of Valor

Chief Wright said Firefighter Pelletier was limping and had an "egg" on his forehead from the crash when the chief relieved him from duty so that he could be examined.

The chief said he will ask selectmen to allow him to present the Medal of Valor to Firefighter Pelletier at the Board of Selectmen's Feb. 24 meeting.

Firefighter Pelletier joined the department April 3, 1995. He is an Army veteran of Desert Storm.

\$110,000 ambulance

The ambulance was just purchased new in 1995 for \$110,000. Chief Wright said it will probably need at least \$50,000 in repairs, but that it may be totaled if the frame is bent. It is insured to some extent, he said, but he wasn't sure if all the costs would be covered by the town's insurance.

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Seventy-five students and seven faculty members from Pike School left Friday, Jan. 31, for a weekend of skiing at Sunday River in Bethel, Maine. The trip is an annual event for students in grades 7-9.

The group left early in the afternoon for the Town and Country Motor Inn in Gorham, N.H., which has a swimming pool and arcade. After spending Saturday on the slopes, skiers joined students from two other schools for a dance at night. The group returned to

Andover Sunday afternoon.

Join a National Park Ranger in celebrating Kids' Week during February school vacation week in these special "Exploring Lowell" programs. Today, Thursday, Feb. 20, at 2:30 p.m., learn about kids at work from the 1830s to the 1930s in "Kids at Work."

Tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 21, at 2:30 p.m. learn the steps involved in taking a bale of cotton and turning it into a bolt of cloth in "Bale to Bolt." Thurs-

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Andover Troop 442 was among the 200-plus girls from all around Massachusetts who slept at the Children's Museum on a recent Friday night. Shown in the museum's Japanese House are, from left, Mollie Hart, Rachel O'Hara, Kelly Mahoney, Jennifer Ravikumar, Kate Fionte, Rebecca Wrightson and Gabriella Prawdzik, all first-graders at Shawsheen School. The girls arrived Friday afternoon and stayed to Saturday morning, organizers said. ▶



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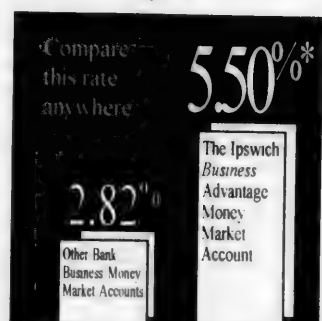
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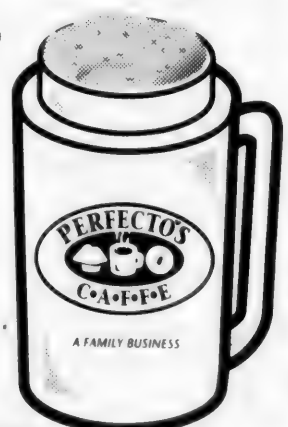
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ON CAMPUS

Colin Arsenault, son of Wayne and Daryl Arsenault of 3 Ferndale Ave., has been named to the dean's list at Bentley College in Waltham for the fall 1996 semester. The senior accounting major has accepted a position with Gillette Co. in Boston, following graduation in May.

Nina Ellen (Camasso) Ayers, daughter of Judith N. Camasso of Andover and the late Louis A. Camasso, recently graduated from Lawrence Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Medford.

Ms. Ayers lives in Woburn with her children, Peter, 12, Kristopher, 10, Hannah, 8, and Matthew, 5.

Edward Chao-Hsu Chen, son of Dr. and Mrs. Cheng-Hong Chen of Andover, is a member of the Brown Derbies, an *a cappella* group from Brown University. Mr. Chen is a second-semester junior studying chemistry.

The all-male *a cappella* group was founded in 1982. The 18 members recently performed live from the Starbucks Coffee Shop near campus on the morning show of WLNE TV/Channel 6, the ABC affiliate in Rhode Island.

The Derbies recently toured Japan. The group's latest CD, *Night Cap*, will be available at the Brown University Bookstore in mid-March.

Andover residents **Diana J. Dresser**, **Gregory R. Foltz**, **Kevin W. O'Brien**, **Carole M. Reid**, **W. Adam Westaway**, **Debra T. Sabath** and **Morgan Pecelli** were named to the

dean's list at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 1996-'97 year.

Ms. Dresser is the daughter of Thomas Dresser. The Andover High School graduate is a sociology and anthropology major.

Mr. Foltz is the son of James and Kay Foltz. The physics major is a graduate of Andover High School.

Mr. O'Brien is the son of William and Elizabeth O'Brien. The Holderness School graduate is a government major.

Ms. Reid is the daughter of Kevin and Therese Reid. The Phillips Academy graduate is an international studies and Russian language and culture major.

Mr. Westaway, son of William and Deborah Westaway, and Ms. Sabath, daughter of Jerrold and Catherine Sabath, are graduates of Andover High School.

Ms. Pecelli is the daughter of Giampiero and Myra Pecelli. The Phillips Academy graduate is majoring in anthropology and German.

Peter B. Cox, son of Edward and Ila Cox of Andover, has been named a candidate for the Presidential scholar award.

The Pike School graduate is a senior at Saint Paul's School in Concord, N.H. He has been accepted to Princeton University under the early decision program, and is currently a semifinalist in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship competition.

Melissa Ciaccia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ciaccia of Woburn Street, has been named to the dean's list at the College of the Holy Cross for the first semester of the 1996-'97 academic year.



Melissa Ciaccia

The Spanish major was a member of the cast of the theater department's production of William Shakespeare's *Measure for Measure*. The production was entered in the Kennedy Center's American College Theater Festival recently held at Spingold Theater, Brandeis University in Waltham.

St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y., announced that **Julie E. Cutler** and **Mark A. Cutler**, both of 5 Tobey Lane, were selected for inclusion on the dean's list for academic achievement during the fall 1996 semester.

They have also been elected to the St. Lawrence University chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the

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national Spanish honor society. A student must have an overall average of at least 3.0, based on a perfect 4.0 scale, and at least a 3.4 average in Spanish courses to be eligible for membership.

Ms. Cutler, a senior, is a Spanish and sociology major.

Mr. Cutler, a junior, is a Spanish major with an education minor.

The Andover High School graduates participated in the International Study Program in Spain.

Andover residents **John J. Barrett** and **Cynthia M. Carlson** have been included on the dean's list of Fitchburg State College for the fall semester. Full-time students who attain an average grade of 3.20 or better are placed on the dean's list.

Jaime Greene of Andover, a first-year biological science and molecular genetics major at the University of Rochester, in Rochester, N.Y., has been named to the fall 1996 dean's list for academic achievement.

Mr. Greene is a graduate of Andover High School.

Two Andover residents were among 40 graduate and undergraduate students to receive scholarships at the UMass Lowell Alumni Association Scholarship Night recently. The scholarships, which totaled more than \$47,000 this year, are given annually through gifts from alumni of the university.

Candace Ellis, class of 1997, a plastics engineering major, received the HAARTZ Fund

Scholarship, and **Jeremy Parker**, class of 1998, an electrical engineering major, received the Gehring Memorial Scholarship.

Timothy M. McGovern, son of Neal and Ann McGovern of Andover, has been named to the dean's list at the University of Notre Dame in Notre Dame, Ind., for outstanding scholarship during the fall semester.

The dean's list is comprised of students who have maintained a scholastic average of 3.4 and above during the past semester.

The 1995 graduate of Phillips Academy is a sophomore in the College of Business Administration, majoring in finance.

James Joseph Perry, son of Ernest J. Perry Jr. of Andover, was recently awarded the Thomas and William Gilbane Foundation Scholarship. Mr. Perry is a first-year student at Brown University in Providence, R.I.

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Kevin M. Roy, a biology major at Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn., was named to the dean's list. A student must attain a grade-point average of at least 3.5 of a possible 4.0 to be selected.

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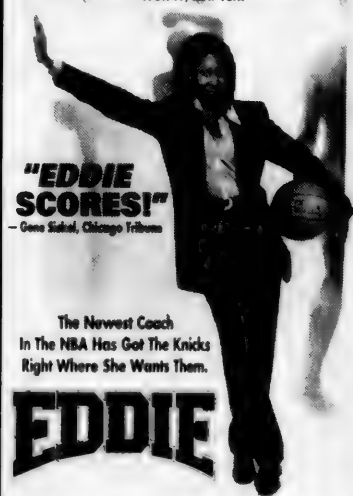
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day and Friday programs meet at the Boott Cotton Mills Museum.

"Exploring Lowell" programs, 30-90 minutes offered daily at 2:30 p.m., explore a variety of Lowell-related topics. In inclement weather, all programs will be held inside. All tours are free and begin (except where noted) at the Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell. Reservations are required for guided tours. For more information, reservations or directions, call (508) 970-5000 or 970-5002.

The Burke Elementary School and Child Development Center in Tewksbury has a new permanent facility. Some of the students who attend Burke are from Andover. The large white structure with brick portico, enclosed playground and four acres of land at 1565 Main St. in Tewksbury became home to more than 200 students, faculty and staff on Feb. 3.

All 3- and 4-year-olds and their parents are invited to an open house at the Early Childhood program located in Shawsheen School Friday, March 7, from 10-11 a.m. Visitors will be able to view the classroom and talk to the staff. Children will be invited to participate in activities and have a snack.

The Andover school's program is an integrated, pre-kindergarten serving children with special needs and "typical" children. In this setting, children can flourish as individuals and be actively involved in learning experiences that provide opportunities for exploration in science, math, pre-reading, music, art and dramatic play. Integration of children with varying abilities is a hallmark of this model. Home/school partnerships are encouraged and provide parents with an opportunity to participate.

All children in the integrated preschool program are seen as role models. Children with

special needs may excel in some domains while children without special needs may be weak in some areas. The peer partners have much to offer one another, not the least of which is a respect for others who are different from themselves.

Half-day morning and afternoon session are staffed by a classroom teacher and instructional assistants. Parents can choose, two-, three- or four-day programs.

For more information, call 623-8850.

The Greater Lawrence Technical School class of 1977 will hold its 20-year reunion Nov. 1 at the Mill House in Dracut. Tickets are \$35 per person. A deposit is required and a reservation count is needed.

To attend, make checks payable to Therese Renny (Guilmette) and mail them to her at 33 Maclarnon Road, Salem, N.H. 03079.

Students at Greater Lawrence Technical School will have the opportunity to participate in a new program that allows them to earn college credit while in high school.



Seated are New England Tech provost, Glen Zeitzer, and Barbara Donaghue, grants manager and tech prep coordinator at Greater Lawrence Technical School; standing are Christopher Bannister, department chairman for the automotive technology program at the college, Mary Renaud, advanced tech coordinator, and Keith Fredrickson, chairman of the high school's automotive department.

The Advanced Tech Program is being offered by New England Institute of Technology in Warwick, R.I., to schools throughout Southern New England.

"By transferring advanced credit, students may earn their associate degree in less time and reduce the costs of tuition," said Mary Renaud,

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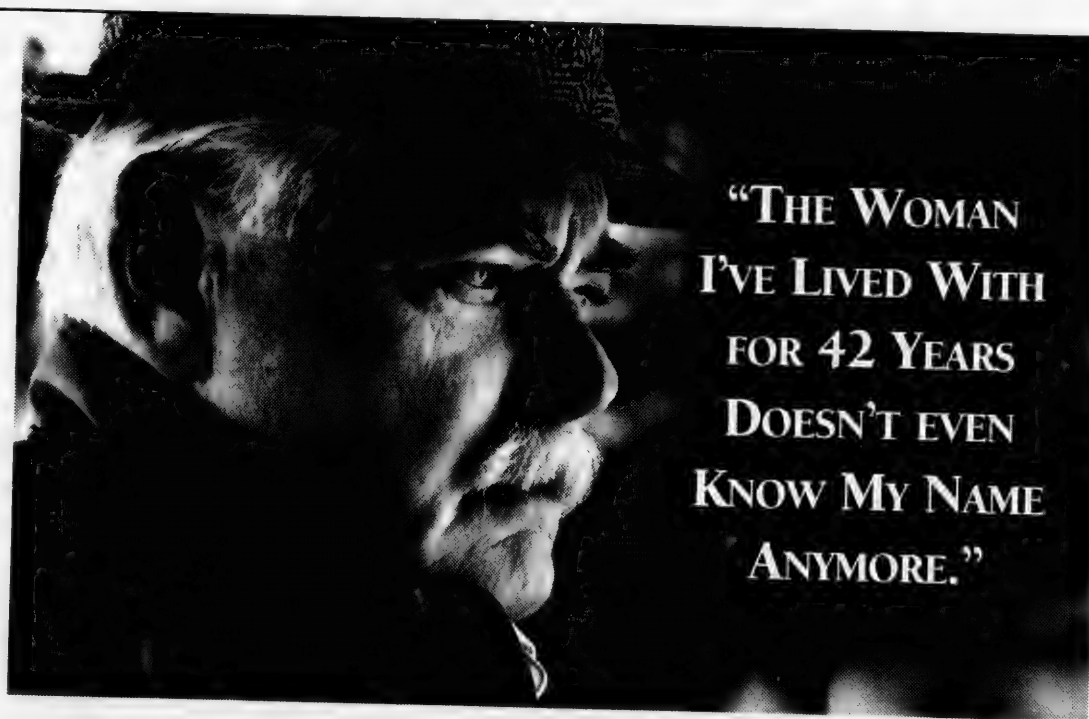


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Andover students scoop up art awards

Gold and Silver Key awards and special honors were given to all Boston Globe Scholastic Art Award winners at an awards ceremony Feb. 9 at the State Transportation Building. All Boston Globe Scholarship winners, Best of Show nominees, Gold Key winners and portfolio nominees will be entered in the national competition.

Andover winners from Andover High School were Monica Everett, Gold Key; Matthew Cook and Jenny Lee, Silver Key; Amy Cataldo, Abbie Daniel, Robin Detterman, Elizabeth Flood, Robyn Givens, Charles Gregory, Sara Hemeon and Emma Nowinski, honorable mention; Melissa Ying, portfolio nominee. Chris Sicard from Greater Lawrence Tech School received an honorable mention.

The Gold Key and Silver Key works will be on display through Feb. 28 at the State Transportation Building, Second Floor Gallery, 10 Park Plaza, Boston. The exhibit is free and open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, noon to

4 p.m.

More than 1,400 Massachusetts students were honored for their outstanding artwork entered in the 47th annual Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards competition. Of the 1,496 winners, 250 received Gold Keys, the programs highest honor, 353 received Silver Keys, 805 received honorable mentions, and 83 portfolio nominees were recognized.

The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards competition is open to all students in grades 7-12 from public, private and parochial schools across Massachusetts, and is sponsored by The Boston Globe. The program is administered by the New England Art Education Conference in cooperation with the Massachusetts Art Educators Association.

The competition is designed to recognize and reward promising young artists and encourage them to continue their studies in visual arts.

For more information on the competition, call The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards at (617) 482-1313.

Illustrators Bob Lies and Giles LaRoche bring stories to life at W.E.R.A.W.C.

West El set to host its Readers and Writers Conference

Students and faculty at West Elementary are preparing for the school's second annual W.E.R.A.W.C. (West Elementary Readers and Writers Conference). The week of March 10-14 will be dedicated to having guest artists share their art forms and encouraging students to explore the world of art, literature, theater, and music. The school will host talent in assembly presentations and individual classroom workshops.

Writers Maureen Wittbold and Jeffrey Kelly (both of Andover), Lucinda Landon, Ted Murphy, Giles LaRoche, Brian Lies, and

Alexandra White, storyteller Jo-Ann Wangh, songwriter Rebecca Golden, and Deborah Costline and Lenny Gerwick with The Gerwick Puppets will be featured at the conference.

Students in grades K-5 are writing and illustrating their own stories and poetry to share during the week.

W.E.R.A.W.C., one of the school's many cultural enrichment programs, is made possible through funding from the West Elementary PTO and the Andover Fund for Education.

Local students named to honor rolls

St. John's Preparatory School

St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers announced that 249 students have achieved academic honors for the second quarter of the 1996-'97 school year.

Andover students named to the headmaster's list are Peter A. Bernardin '97, Daniel E. Kelley '97, William C. Hankey '98 and Patrick B. Clark '99.

To qualify for the headmaster's list, students achieve grades of 90 percent or above in all courses.

The Clark School for Creative Learning

The Clark School for Creative Learning of Danvers, a small private day school for kindergarten through eighth grade, recently recognized the following Andover students

for excellence in academics:

High honors: Evan Greer, grade 6.

Honors: C.J. Bond, grade 4, Samantha Bond, grade 5, and Eric Peikin, grade 8.

Pingree School

Pingree School in South Hamilton recently announced its first semester honor roll. The following Andover students earned recognition on the first semester honor roll for academic excellence.

Honors: Juniors Joshua Prudden, son of Debra and Frederic Prudden; and Melissa Small, daughter of Judith and Sheldon Small; sophomores Heather Foster, daughter of Susan and Mark Foster; and Christina O'Neill, daughter of Mary and Stephen O'Neill.

Andover students perform in MVMTA recital

The Merrimack Valley Music Teacher's Association sponsored recitals Sunday, Feb. 2, at Memorial Hall Library.

Thirty-nine students from elementary to high-school ages played pieces ranging from those composed 200 years ago through those composed within the last few years. The recital was followed by a reception hosted by the teachers. Students from Andover include: Jessica Bindman, Carrie Brintz, Laura Hoffmann, Daniel Rosensweig, Claire Boisen, Katie Dugan, Caitlin Littlefield, Matthew Vil-

lanueva, Alyssa Bindman, Jonathan Malis, Heidi Adlman, Amanda Barash, Amanda Treotola, Jennifer Wang, Kanyi Maqubela and Koren Betty.

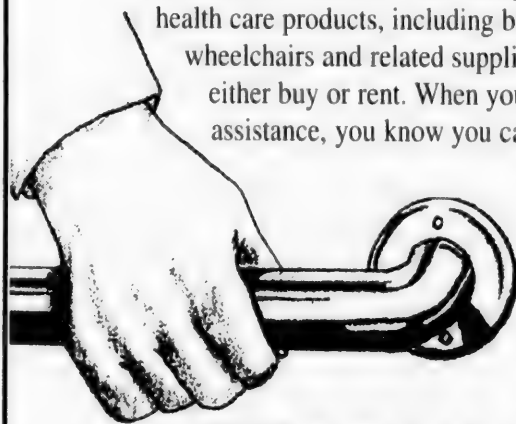
Their teachers are Ann Bader, Jody Brickman, Leslie Kaplan and Linda Shen.

The MVMTA will sponsor a music festival in April at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

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Greater Lawrence Technical School faculty member Keith Fredrickson, automotive department chairman, worked with New England Tech faculty member Christopher Bannister, automotive department chairman, to develop the articulation agreement.

Advanced tech transfer credit is also available to students completing the carpen-

try program at Greater Lawrence Technical School. Students an opportunity for a head start in a career area and also get them involved in a post-secondary education with a specific direction in mind," said Ms. Renaud. "We congratulate the administration and faculty at Greater Lawrence Technical School for offering this opportunity to their students."

Sanborn School students participated in a host of curriculum enrichment events

this year. Fifth-graders re-enacted the story of the founding of Indian Ridge, led by Alice Buck (portrayed by Susan Lenoe).

"Alice Buck Goes to School" is a program created by AVIS and Ms. Lenoe for Andover school children in celebration of the town's 350th birthday last year.

This two-part presentation conducted by Alice Buck again and together identified wildlife, walked the ridges formed by glaciers and recited poems, just as students did 100 years earlier.

The whole Sanborn student

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SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in Andover public schools next week, the week of Feb. 24-28:

Elementary schools

Monday: Nachos with cheddar cheese sauce, baked beans, corn, pears, milk or juice.

Tuesday: Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, gravy, peas, bread and butter, deep dish pie with topping, milk or juice.

Wednesday: Sub with bologna, ham, cheese, tomato, lettuce and pickles, potato chips, fruited Jell-O, milk or juice.

Thursday: Roast turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned sliced carrots, homemade cornbread, trail mix, milk or juice.

Friday: Tuna salad on

syrian bread, carrot and celery sticks, fruit cup, milk or juice.

Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and a pizza lunch are available daily.

Middle school

Monday: Hot dog on roll, mustard, relish, ketchup, wax beans, fruit cup, milk; or baked beef ravioli with tomato sauce, wax beans, bread and butter, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken cutlet on roll, potato puffs, ketchup, green beans, cookie, milk; or broiled teriyaki nuggets, barbecue sauce, potato puffs, ketchup, green beans, cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub with tomato sauce, corn, potato sticks, fruited Jell-O

with topping, milk; or bacon, lettuce and tomato sub, mayonnaise, corn, potato sticks, fruited Jell-O with topping, milk.

Thursday: Nachos with cheese sauce, baked beans, sliced carrots, frosted cake, milk, or roast turkey, gravy, whipped potatoes, sliced carrots, cranberry sauce, homemade cornbread, frosted cake, milk.

Friday: Tuna salad in syrian bread, peas, potato chips, chilled peaches, milk; or Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, brown sauce, peas, bread and butter, chilled peaches, milk.

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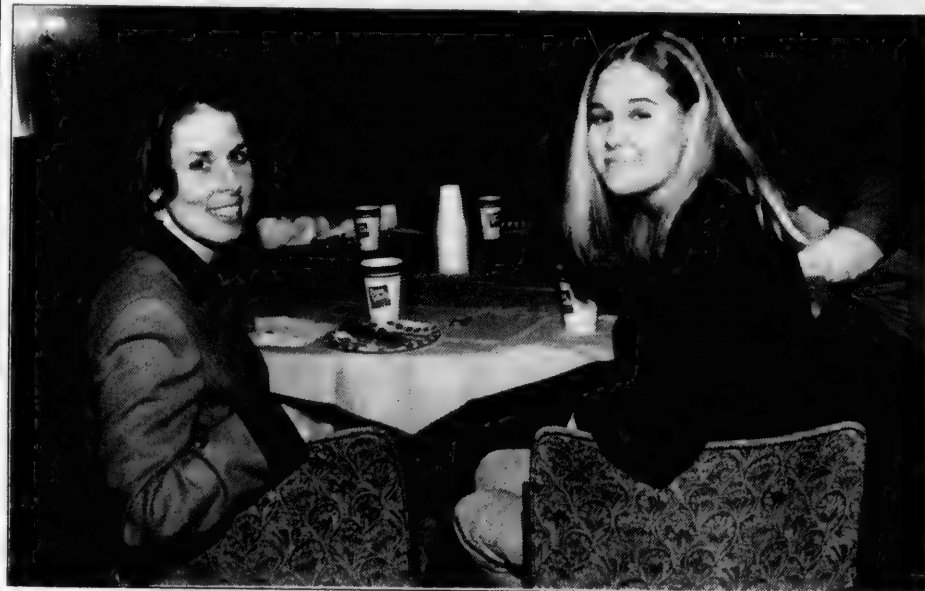


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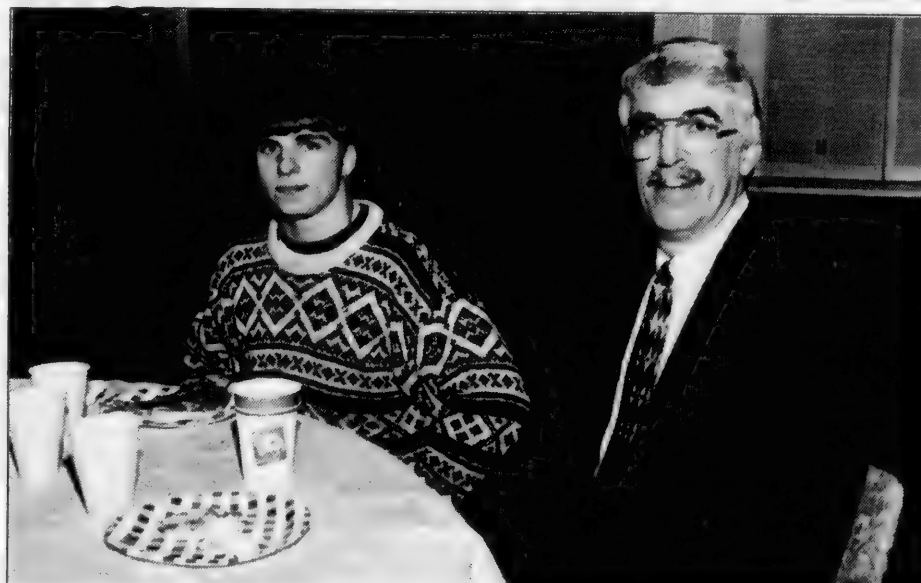
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ANDOVER STUDENTS AND THEIR MENTORS



A total of 37 Andover High students signed up for the Service Club's Mentor/Mentee program last month. The program has local business-people working with the students to explore career options and help make choices. Karen Whiteside (left) of Northmark Bank thought she and her mentee, AHS junior Monica Turbett, made a good match.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

AHS junior Brian Cutler (left) said, "It's tough to decide what you want to do after high school." His Service Club mentor, David Konjoian, is helping Brian explore a possible career in psychology.



Future Scientists and Engineers of America (FSEA) has its first local chapter at West Middle School. As resident mentors David Whitney (left) and Chuck Medler watch, Ollie Gregory and Shonak Patel launch a wind-sail powered Land Yacht, the local chapter's first project.



...And Ollie and Shonak, creators of their Speed Racer, are very happy with their results. FSEA chapters meet weekly to work on a sequence of structured design problems appropriate to the students' ages. The mentors are senior staff members at TASC Inc. in Reading.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEB. 20

"Total Confusion," Ramada Rolling Green, Lowell Street, the largest gaming convention in New England for anyone ages 16 to 35, but any age welcome, featuring card games, board games, interactive literature games, and miniature games; there will be dealers presenting games, books, collectibles, videos, T-shirts, jewelry, and art work; Andover Youth Services will run a booth as a fundraiser sponsored by the caffeinated water Krank2O; 7 p.m., \$40 registration fee or \$12 a day, each game costs \$3 to play, trophies and prizes are given for every event.

Performance for children, featuring Kevin Devine, winner of the Boston Parents' Paper's Entertainer of the Year award, West Boxford Town Library, 188 Washington St., West Boxford, 2 p.m., free; 352-7323.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

Pinocchio, performance by the Theatre Arts Camp at Creative Arts, Guild Hall, First Congregational Church, Reading, 6 p.m.; (617) 942-0538.

"Total Confusion," (see entry under Thursday, Feb. 20) 8 a.m.-3 a.m.

Comedy Palace, featuring Gabe Abelson, Lisa Lampagnale and Steve Hurley, Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m., cover charge \$10; 1-800-TOLAUGH.

Strike Up the Bands, a concert featuring the Phillips Academy Concert Band under the direction of Robin Cavaleir and Kevin Eleau, including Saint-Saens *Adagio* from *Symphony No. 3 in c minor, Op. 78*, Morton Gould's *Rumbolero*, John Cacavas's *Rhapsodic Essay*, Maurice Gardner's *Three Palestrina Chorales*, Charles Carter's *Polyphonic Suite* and *Symphonic Overture*, Sammy Nestico's *Vaquero* and James Tarver's *El Conquistador*, Cochran Chapel, 180 Main St., 7:30 p.m.; 749-4263.

Quannapowitt Players of Reading, 55 Hopkins St., perform Athol Fugard's *The Road to Mecca*, today, Feb. 22, 28 and March 1, at 8 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. Featuring set design of Rich McManus of Andover; tickets are \$10; seniors and students, \$9; 617-942-2212.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

Guest string quartet, featuring works of Florence B. Price, an African American composer, "Five Folksongs in Counterpoint for String Quartet," presented cooperatively by the Brace Center for Gender Studies and the Phillips Academy music department, music will be performed by the Coleridge String Quartet, an ensemble that seeks to present classical compositions of Black and African American composers, William Thomas, Brace Fellow, Brace Center for Gender Studies, Abbot Hall, 7:30 p.m.; 749-4263.

Bean supper, by the Sacred Heart Parish Church Hall, 321 South Broadway, Lawrence, 4-6:30 p.m., adults \$4, children under 12 \$2; Irene Potvin 686-5712.

Storytelling, sponsored by the New Moon Coffeehouse, storytelling show for children by Helen Mulcahy, "Winter Time Tales," Universalist Unitarian Church, Haverhill, 1 p.m., \$3; 372-5173.

"Total Confusion," (see entry under Thursday, Feb. 20) 8 a.m.-3 a.m.

Daily Grind Coffeehouse, featuring Geoff Bartley, songwriter and blues guitarist, First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover, 8 p.m., \$5; 681-7555.

SUNDAY, FEB. 23

Puppet show, featuring "Dick Coffin's Dum Dum Silly Willy Puppet Show," Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, 1:30 p.m., \$3.50 per child, family maximum admission \$10; 470-1356.

Ice fishing tournament, Shawsheen Watershed Environmental Action Team and Metlife Real Estate Investments will hold the 13th Annual Ice Fishing Tournament, Ames Pond, Route 133, Tewksbury, 7 a.m.-3 p.m., registration \$15; 851-9505 or 649-1027.

"Total Confusion," (see entry under Thursday,

Feb. 20) 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

"Tea and fashion show," to benefit Immigrant City Archives, featuring Fairfield fashions and quilted clothing, Marriott, 123 Old River Road, 2 p.m., donation \$18; 686-9230 or (603) 898-4900.

Wolf Soup, presented by the jazz ensemble, featuring Bob Nieske, bass, Timken Room, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy, 3 p.m.; 749-4263.

Gallery talk, with exhibiting artists Douglas Prince and Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons, Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, 2 p.m.; BJ Larson 749-4027.

TUESDAY, FEB. 25

The Presidential Roast, sponsored by the Exchange Club and Lions Club of Lawrence, roast of Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce "President" Joseph Bevilacqua, Andover Marriott, 123 Old River Road, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres served, 6-7 p.m., dinner, 7-8 p.m., \$50 per person or \$450 table of 10, proceeds to benefit local charities; 686-0900.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26

Annual Preservation awards reception, by the Andover Historical Society, featuring a slide presentation and refreshments, co-sponsored by the Andover Preservation Commission, Memorial Hall Library, 5:30-7 p.m., free; 475-2236.

Merrimack Arts, featuring Gale Fuller, mezzo-soprano and James Busby, piano, McQuade Library Auditorium, free, 3 p.m.; 837-5000.

THURSDAY, FEB. 27

The Cotton Process, join National Park Ranger Tess Shatzer for what steps are required to transform cotton fiber into useable cloth, learn the basics of cotton production in this hands-on demonstration of the cotton process, Boot Mills Museum front desk, indoor program, Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell, 2:30 p.m.; (508) 970-5000 or 970-5002.

Immigrant City Archives, the Genealogical Group of the Immigrant City Archives will hold a meeting, with speaker Margie Troy, the reference librarian at the Lawrence Public Library, Lawrence Heritage State Park, 1 Jackson St., Lawrence, 7 p.m., \$2 for ICA members, \$3 non-members; 688-8220.

School Department Budget workshop, parents are encouraged to attend by PAC President Lori Jordan, School Committee meeting room, second floor, school administration building, 7 p.m.

Village Garden Club, "A Visit to Callaway Gardens," via video will be presented by featured speaker, Vicki Coderre; hostesses are Michael Beckerman, Sue Dietzel, Claire Enos and Patti-Lou Murray; flower arrangement provided by Kathy Baun, Andover Historical Society, 1 p.m.; Nancy James 475-2895.



Opening reception, Friday, Feb. 28, 5-8 p.m., Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, for exhibit of the work of Roy DeCarava, above.

FRIDAY, FEB. 28

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WHAT'S UP

'Total Confusion' starts today in Andover

By Glenn Wilson

Watch out for vampires and other unexpected interactive literature roles today, Feb. 20, when the "Total Confusion" gaming convention comes to the Ramada Rolling Green on Lowell Street.

What is "Total Confusion?" Good question. It is now the largest gaming convention in New England geared for ages 16 to 35, but any age is welcome.

The "Total Confusion" coordinators expect about 1,200 participants. This convention concept began at Clarke University 11 years ago. It is a gathering of all types of games and game enthusiasts. There will be card games, board games, interactive literature games and miniature games.

It is run by an array of gaming establishments such as the Mass. Gaming Stores, Dragonslair East and Wizards Tower. The sponsors will operate different games and offer different prizes. There will be a winner for

every event.

The convention hosts about 200 gaming opportunities, so there is plenty to choose from. The Wizards Tower will sponsor the Magic the Gathering game with a \$200 prize award. Other games include Dungeons and Dragons, CTHULHU, a tabletop, open role-playing game based on the H.P. Lovecraft novels; and a vampire role-playing game that doesn't even start until 11:30 p.m. and usually ends somewhere around 3 a.m.

There will be dealers galore offering all items from games, books, collectibles, videos, jewelry, T-shirts and even art work.

Andover Youth Services will man a booth as a fundraiser for their organization sponsored by the caffeinated water Krank2O.

Andover Youth Services is one of the biggest and most active in the area. Krank2O has donated 10 cases, and will sell up to 40 cases more at cost to the Youth Services organization, which then

keeps all the profits.

The "Confusion" begins tonight, Thursday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m. The hours for the rest of the weekend are: Friday, Feb. 21, and Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 a.m.-3 a.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 23, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone is welcome. You may get a free visitors pass to watch but if you decide to play there is a \$40 registration fee for the entire convention, or a \$12 per day registration if you can only come one day. Due to the limited hours, the registration fee on Sunday will be much lower. Each game costs \$3 to play. To top off this fun event, on Sunday there will be an awards ceremony, with trophies and prizes given for every event. So come out and discover what game-playing was meant to be and at the same time help out your local Youth Services program.

► For more information about WHAT'S UP, call Bill Fahey, Andover Youth Services coordinator, at 623-8241; or Jack Grady, Townsman assistant editor, at 475-1943.

SCHOOLTALK

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body was treated to a musical extravaganza by **Spectrum Percussion Trio**. For more than 20 years this trio of musicians has brought their high-energy performance to students illustrating the many sights sounds and color of percussion. Students got into the act by clapping, singing, and trying out some of instruments. The performance culminated as the trio 'played the room' using library books, a dustpan and even scaffolding to illustrate the many musical surfaces around us. This program was funded in part by a grant from the **Andona Society**.

How does a starfish eat? What does a horseshoe crab use its tail for? These questions and more were answered by marine biologist **Ellen Goethel** during a visit to third-grade students. Her presentation invited students to explore the ocean world with hands-on experiences.

Fourth-graders heard tales of immigration from storyteller **Elisa Pearmain** to tie into the social studies curriculum. Ms. Pearmain told stories of young people who had left their home country in search of a better life in America.

Mistress Howland of **Plimouth Plantation** visited first-graders at Sanborn School recently. Students learned about the 66-day journey across the Atlantic and why "casting up our stomach" was a very popular phrase. They were also taught expected etiquette of

Colonial children and the mandatory daily chores of folding blankets, getting water, starting the fire, heating water to wash, milking goats and cows, gathering eggs, and feeding the animals, all before a breakfast of beer, bread and cheese.

Each first-grader had the to try out some of the more popular toys of the day, including a poppet, ball and cup, and marbles.

"Hip, hip hazaar" for **Mistress Howland**, was the way students learned to show their appreciation, organizers said.

The **Merrimack Valley YMCA** is ready to start its annual "Reach Out for Youth" fund drive and phonathon beginning Sunday, Feb. 23. The Camping Services Branch of the YMCA operates resident **Camp Lawrence for Boys** and **Camp Nokomis for Girls** for ages 8-15 on Bear Island, Lake Winnepesaukee, N.H., **Day Camp Otter** for children ages 6-13 on Captain's Pond in Salem, N.H.

This summer the YMCA has reserved space for 140 deserving children of the Merrimack Valley as part of the its "Access" program. Through this program families may request financial assistance to help send their children to camp.

The Camping Services Branch has a goal of raising \$25,000 and will look for the support of camp alumni (Bear Island Camps Association), parents of campers and other friends and supporters. Anyone who is interested in contributing to this fund and helping provide children "the experience of a lifetime" may call **Ted Becker** at the YMCA at (508) 975-1330.

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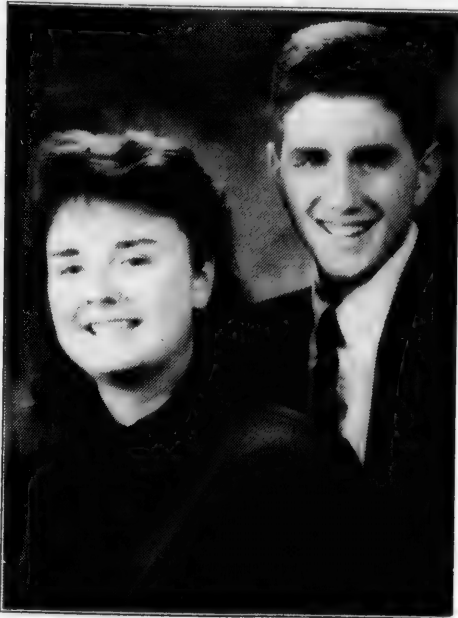
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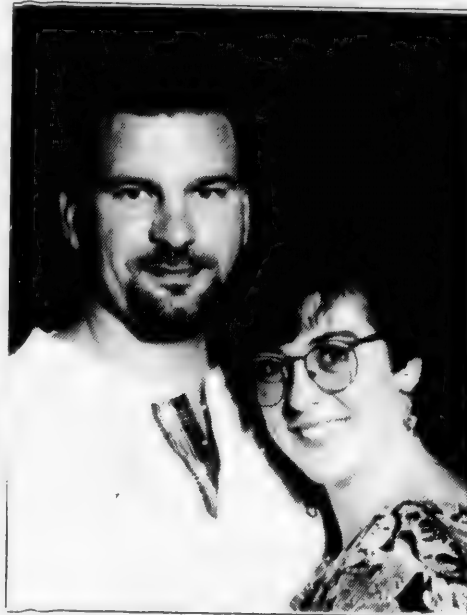
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ENGAGEMENTS



**Kimberly Anne Sullivan and
Gregory Joseph Serapiglia**



**Kerri Shannon Smith and
Arnold Bennett Denton**



**Dawn Marie White and
John Patrick McCarthy**



**Claire Harrison Gilliatt and
David M. Wade**

Sullivan-Serapiglia

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Sullivan of Andover and North Conway, N.H., announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Anne, to Gregory Joseph Serapiglia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Serapiglia of Milford, Conn.

Ms. Sullivan and Mr. Serapiglia graduated last May cum laude from Plymouth State College in New Hampshire with bachelor of science degrees in elementary education.

She is a sixth-grade inclusion teacher in Winchendon.

He is coordinator for the after-school program for Seven Hills Foundation in Worcester.

The couple plan a summer wedding.

Smith-Denton

Ronald D. and Marjorie C. Smith of Windham, N.H., formerly of Andover, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kerri Shannon, to Arnold Bennett Denton, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Denton of Killeen, Texas.

Ms. Smith, a design engineer at Cabletron Systems of Rochester, N.H., is a graduate of Andover High School and New Hampshire College.

Mr. Denton graduated from Killeen High School and is attending Franklin Pierce College. He is a support engineer for Cabletron Systems of Rochester, N.H.

The couple will be married June 7 in Atkinson, N.H.

White-McCarthy

Mr. and Mrs. N. Timothy White of Rowley announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Marie, to John Patrick McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarthy of Marblehead.

Ms. White is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hervy W. Croteau of Dover, N.H., formerly of Andover, Nancy L. White of Rowley and the late Norbert V. White.

She graduated from Triton Regional High School in 1987 and Fitchburg State College in 1991.

She is an assistant sales manager at EBSCO Publishing in Ipswich.

Mr. McCarthy graduated from Marblehead High School in 1985 and the University of New Hampshire in 1990.

He is a senior education consultant at VMARK Education in Stoneham.

The couple plan an Oct. 4 wedding.

Gilliatt-Wade

Joan W. Gilliatt of Andover announces the engagement of her daughter, Claire Harrison, to David M. Wade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas M. Wade of Indianapolis, Ind. Ms. Gilliatt is also the daughter of the late Charles L. Gilliatt II.

The 1980 graduate of Phillips Academy received a B.A. degree from Harvard University and master of business administration degree from the University of California, Berkeley. She owns and manages Wade Harrison Associates, a business consulting firm in Arlington, Va.

Mr. Wade is a graduate of Park Tudor School in Indianapolis, Ind. He received a B.S.E.E. degree from Washington University and a master of science in computer science degree from Johns Hopkins University. He is a senior software engineer for Science Applications International Corp. in the Washington, D.C., area.

The couple plan an April wedding in Washington, D.C.

Horgan-Kelleher engagement

Susan Horgan-Baker of Somerset announces the engagement of her daughter, Renee S. Horgan, to John M. Kelleher, son of Jane and John Kelleher of Winthrop. Ms. Horgan is also the daughter of the late Donald Horgan.

She received a bachelor degree in business administration from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Ms. Horgan is director of conversions at

First Data Corp.

Mr. Kelleher graduated from the University of Massachusetts Amherst with a bachelor's degree in sports management. He received a master's degree in business administration from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

He is director of marketing at Computer Sports World.

The couple plan a July wedding.

Sheehan-Penney engagement

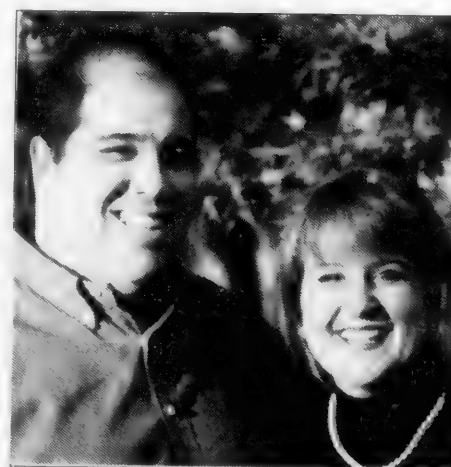
Martha Sheehan of West Chester, Pa., and Hilton Head Island, S. C., formerly of Andover, announces the engagement of her daughter, Katie, of Los Angeles, Calif., to Mark Penney, also of Los Angeles.

Ms. Sheehan is also the daughter of the late John P. Sheehan. The Bridgewater State College graduate is an internal whole-

saler with Jackson National Life Distributors.

Mr. Penney is the son of Frederick Penney of Attleboro and Ruth Templon of Oregon. He is a training and merchandising representative for Behr Paint Co.

The couple plan a May wedding in Hilton Head, S.C.



**Jameel Talwani and
Michele L. Giannone**

Giannone-Talwani

Lucille Giannone of Andover announces the engagement of her daughter, Michele L., to Jameel Talwani, son of Dr. and Mrs. Yunis Talwani of Ringoes, N.J.

Ms. Giannone graduated from Plymouth State College in Plymouth, N.H., with a bachelor of science degree in business management and a master's degree of business administration. She is an adjunct marketing faculty member at Plymouth State College and a marketing/program coordinator at New Hampshire Electric Cooperative Inc., also in Plymouth.

Mr. Talwani graduated from Plymouth State College with a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and a minor in business administration. He is a chef at Mad River Tavern and Restaurant in Campton, N.H.

The couple met while attending Plymouth State College and have been together for four years. Mr. Talwani proposed at sunset July 19 at the Allenhurst Beach Club jetty. They plan a spring wedding.

Planting for people: communities and trees

The Andover Garden Club wants local arborists and citizens to know about a one-day symposium at the Waltham Field Station Wednesday, March 19, sponsored by the Garden

Club Federation of Massachusetts Inc., Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management and the USDA Department of Forestry.

Topics will include state-of-the-art communi-

ty tree practices relating to arboriculture and policy in public landscapes.

Registration costs \$12. All attendees must register by March 7.

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EVENTS

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American photography, Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, 5-8 p.m.; 749-4015.

Comedy Palace, featuring Sam Greenfield, Dennis Ross and Charlie Kwax, Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m., cover charge \$10; 1-800-TO-LAUGH.

Musical concert, presenting the Phillips Academy Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Amadeus Ensemble, and Corelli Society, featuring the Boccherini Cello Concerto, Abigail Speiler, of Andover, soloist, J.C. Bach Viola Concerto, Julia Bell, viola, Josef Rheinberger Organ Concerto, Seth Moulton, organ, Cochran Chapel, 7:30 p.m.; 749-4263.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

Sports and leisure auction, Andover Marriott, skis and bindings, sports events tickets, weekend trips and more, silent auction 6:30-8 p.m., live auction 8-10 p.m., tickets \$15 available at the Lawrence YMCA, 40 Lawrence Street; 686-6191.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

Intermediate cross-country ski, the upper slopes of Holt Hill will provide the varied terrain for local intermediate level cross country skiing, Ward Reservation parking lot, Andover, 1:30 p.m., Marta and Dick Hornridge 475-3593.

Schubert's song cycle *Winterreise*, Opus 89, presented by the North Reading Cultural Center, Activities Room, of the North Reading Public Library, free; Mary Street, 664-2695.

Artist's talk, featuring Roy and Sherry Turner DeCarava, Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, 2 p.m.; 749-4015.

ONGOING

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society has the following temporary exhibits: *Main Street 1996*, a 12-foot mural by Dorothy Piercy, through March 22; *Dolls From the Collection*, through February; *Pat Keck Installation*, through March 22; and *It Had to be Ford's*, a 15-minute video by Mark Schorr and Jim Sheldon, through March; Permanent exhibit: Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools; library and office hours Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Main and Phillips streets, includes the newly restored diorama, miniature scene of Native Americans along the banks of the Merrimack River, Tuesday through Friday noon-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., free; 749-4490.

Voices on Repatriation and Renewing Tradition: Modern Pueblo Pottery, continuing exhibits feature collections of Native American artifacts.

Pecos Pueblo: Crossroads of Cultures, tells story of the Pueblo at Pecos, New Mexico, inhabited from 1300 to 1838 by a sophisticated Native society.

Quiltscapes: Views and Visions, an exhibition featuring the landscape quilts of four New England art quilt makers, Jan. 17-March 16, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, \$4 adults, \$3 students and seniors, free for museum members; (508) 452-4207.

Lowell National Historic Park, history of the American Industrial Revolution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals; (508) 970-5000.

Wenham Museum, featuring Play & Learn III, a children's interactive exhibit, 17th-century Claflin-Richards House, 132 Main St., Wenham, Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday 1-4 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2.50 seniors, members free.

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, *The Constructed Photograph: Jo Babcock, Gillian Brown, Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons, and Douglas Prince*, four artists who challenge the traditional notion of photography by creating work that blends photographic images and sculpture; Regi-

nald Marsh's *New York*, includes paintings, prints, and drawings, that span his entire career, Phillips Academy, through March 23; free to the public, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m., closed Mondays; BJ Larson 749-4027.

Local artist of the month, featuring K.S. Brooks, the granddaughter of Impressionist painter Stokeley Webster, her works includes nature, avant glamour shots and landscapes and will be on display throughout February, Memorial Hall Library.

Tibet: Occupation and Exile, featuring Andover resident Mary Gendler's photographs, Boston Public Library, main hall, through February; (617) 536-5400 Ext. 336.

Dreamscapes, an exhibition of paintings by German-born artist Brigitte Keller presented by Merrimack College, through Feb. 28, McQuade Library Art Gallery; Casey Coburn 837-5190.

Juried art show, Marian Stewart, assistant curator of Fogg Museum, diverse exhibit of creative arts, Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence, free and open to public; Leslie Costello 685-2343.

Addison Gallery, presenting the largest and most comprehensive survey ever devoted to the work of Roy DeCarava, one of the central figures in post-war American photography, "Roy DeCarava: A Retrospective," spans DeCarava's oeuvre, from his groundbreaking pictures of everyday life in Harlem, through civil rights protests of the early 1960s, to recent lyrical studies of nature; Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, through May 4; 749-4015.

Essex Art Center, featuring four women painters, Danielle McCarthy, Jean Clohisey, Susan Dangora and Dena Carbone, portrait, still life and landscape works, through March 14, Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; Leslie Costello 685-2343.

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the music room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court, 470-2990.

Vintage Hands, an exhibit of photographs from the collection of Henry M. Buhl, the Brooks class of 1948, the Robert Lehman Art Center, Brooks School, North Andover, through March 5, Tuesdays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Michael B. King 686-6101.

Andovers Artists Guild members' exhibits: Bishop's Restaurant in Lawrence by Silvana Siduit and Andrea Hart; Sutton Hill Nursing Home, North Andover will be showing paintings by Merry Beninato, through February; 664-3159.

True Investigations of the Soul, featuring paintings by Barry Connolly, Chris Hart, Tom Miglionico and Paul Zadrozny, their common sensibility is inspired by a passionate interest in the work of the New York School painters, through March 9, The Brush Art Gallery and Studios, 256 Market St., Lowell; 459-7819.

Significant Others, featuring paintings by Randall Diehl and Nancy Hill, the art historical homages and portraits by Diehl and the small-scale still life paintings of Hill illuminate private realms infused with humour, irony, and mystery, March 16-May 21, The Brush Art Gallery and Studios, 256 Market St., Lowell; 459-7819.

Beyond Tradition, featuring photographic works by Jaqueline Bernat, Aida Laleian, Maryhean Viano Crowe, Elizabeth Solomon and Anna Strickland, held in conjunction with the Fifth National Conference of Women in Photography which is taking place June 5-8, Simmons College, Boston, June 1-July 6, The Brush Art Gallery and Studios, 256 Market St., Lowell; 459-7819.

First Regional Juried show, local artist Carol Boileau of Andover will participate, Vertu Fine Art Gallery, The Tannery, 50 Water St., Newburyport, through March 9, Wednesday through Friday 1-5:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.; 462-3735.

Art exhibit and lecture series, "It takes an Artist to See a Valley," by the Lawrence 150th Celebration Committee and Lawrence Heritage State Park,

through Feb. 28, Lawrence Heritage State Park Gallery, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.,

receives two visitors, one expected and dreaded and the other unexpected. set designer is Rich McManus of Andover, Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins St., Reading, Feb. 21, 22, 28, and March 1, 8 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m., \$10, \$9 students and seniors; (617) 942-2212.

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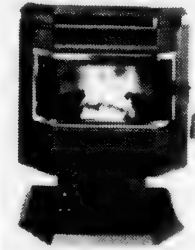
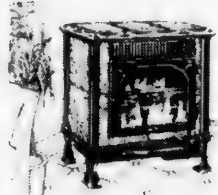
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Rabbi Mark Newton is part time in Andover

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After successfully interviewing at the Hillel Foundation at Ohio University, Rabbi Newton said he worked in Ohio for two years.

"It was an eye-opener. I had never lived in Appalachia before," he said. "I used to joke that my title was 'Chief Rabbi of Southeastern Ohio' - or only rabbi of Southeastern Ohio."



Photo by Neil Fater

Rabbi Mark Newton of Congregation Tifereth Israel is in Andover two Fridays and two Saturdays a month. When he's not here, a lay leader heads the service, a practice that the rabbi says is common for smaller congregations.

"Then after a while I felt a little landlocked and decided to put down roots," said Rabbi Newton.

"I enjoyed a lot of what I did but I decided an urban area was better for me."

Rabbi Newton looked to New England, where his parents had lived before he was born. He said he had often gone on vacations with them to the six-state area

and found he liked it here.

"I thought Boston had a very unique Jewish history," said Rabbi Newton. "Culturally, I find Boston exhilarating. The winters are a little bit tough."

Rabbi Newton said he just recently renewed his contract as a part-time rabbi with Congregation Tifereth Israel. He's in Andover two Fridays and two Saturdays per month, teaches some Hebrew School, and performs other functions such as visiting the sick. When the rabbi is not available, a lay leader heads the service, a practice Rabbi Newton said is very common for smaller congregations.

"As a smaller congregation they are very lay led," said Rabbi Newton. "What pleases me is they do take care of themselves."

Besides working for Congregation Tifereth Israel, Rabbi Newton also works part-time with two other Boston-area congregations. He's a rabbi for a congregation in Hyde Park and a cantor for a Braintree congregation.

"What I like is that all that I do is intensive rabbinical duties," he said of his role in the Boston area. "I don't do any of the administration, any of the politics, any of the board meetings. I do exactly what I was trained for."

"When I went to Ohio, I didn't realize how much time would be spent in administration duties, doing budgets, planning par-

ties," he said. "I'm much, much happier here in Boston because I'm doing rabbinical stuff here."

Rabbi Newton and his Andover congregation will be even happier once they can move into their new space on South Main Street.

The current construction project, meant to give Congregation Tifereth

Israel more room, will more than triple the size of the traditional, conservative congregation's sanctuary and give it six full-size classrooms for its religious school. The nearly 100-year-old congregation made a commitment to move from Lawrence to Andover in the early 1990s and has grown since the decision.

The additional space on South Main Street means the congregation will no longer have to rent space to celebrate weddings, Bar Mitzvahs and High Holiday services.

"This particular congregation was a good schiduch," said Rabbi Newton, "a good match."



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SENIOR CITIZENS

Candidates' forum

All Andover seniors are encouraged to attend the candidates' forum Friday, March 7, at 9 a.m., to meet the candidates running for School Committee and selectman and find out where they stand on issues of concern to you. Call the center to register.

Easy exercise

A stretch and strengthening class meets Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. Drop in and give it a try.

Foot care, education

Dr. John Hurchik will give a lecture and

slide presentation at the center Wednesday, March 12, at 1 p.m. Foot screenings will follow. Reservations must be made for both the lecture and screenings.

Flower show

The Senior Center will sponsor a trip to the flower show Wednesday, March 13. The bus will leave the center at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. Cost is \$22 per person. Call the center for reservations.

Town meeting forum

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, Town Clerk Randy Hanson and Town Moderator Jim Doherty will present a forum on the

importance of Town Meeting Friday, March 14, at 9 a.m. Call the center to sign up.

Julia Roberts, will be shown Monday, Feb. 24, at 12:30 p.m.

Movie matinee

The movie *Pelican Brief*, starring Denzel Washington and

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SENIOR MENUS

The following meals will be served next week at the Senior Center at Whittier Court, behind town offices on Bartlett Street:

Monday: Broiled ground sirloin strip steak, onion gravy, mashed potatoes, sauteed zucchini and tomatoes, assorted whole grain bread, chilled pears.

Tuesday: Turkey, gravy, stuffing, whipped potatoes, carrots, cranberry sauce, homemade cornbread, fruited Jell-O.

Wednesday: Braised pork loin, hot apple sauce, potato wedges, broccoli, assorted whole grain bread, fudge brownie.

Thursday: Boneless chicken breast with

stuffing and gravy, long grain rice, peas, cranberry sauce, assorted whole grain bread, orange.

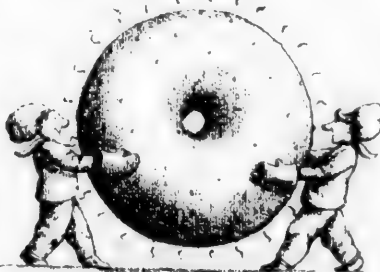
Friday: Shrimp poppers, potato puffs, coleslaw, ketchup, tartar sauce, assorted whole grain bread, fruit cup.

A choice of milk, coffee or tea is available daily.

For reservations, call 623-8321 before 2 p.m. on business day before lunch you plan to attend. The Senior Center will serve fried chicken **Monday, March 3**, and roast sirloin of beef **Tuesday, March 4**.

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Maureen Wittbold

Children's book author
Second grade teacher

"I make a fire and I sit here all day - all day except for when I have to take the kids to hockey or swim meets. I sit here and I forget about everything else. This is my preferred spot, although a lot of writing does get done in the car" while she waits to pick up one of her children. "I just always make sure I have my writing stuff with me.

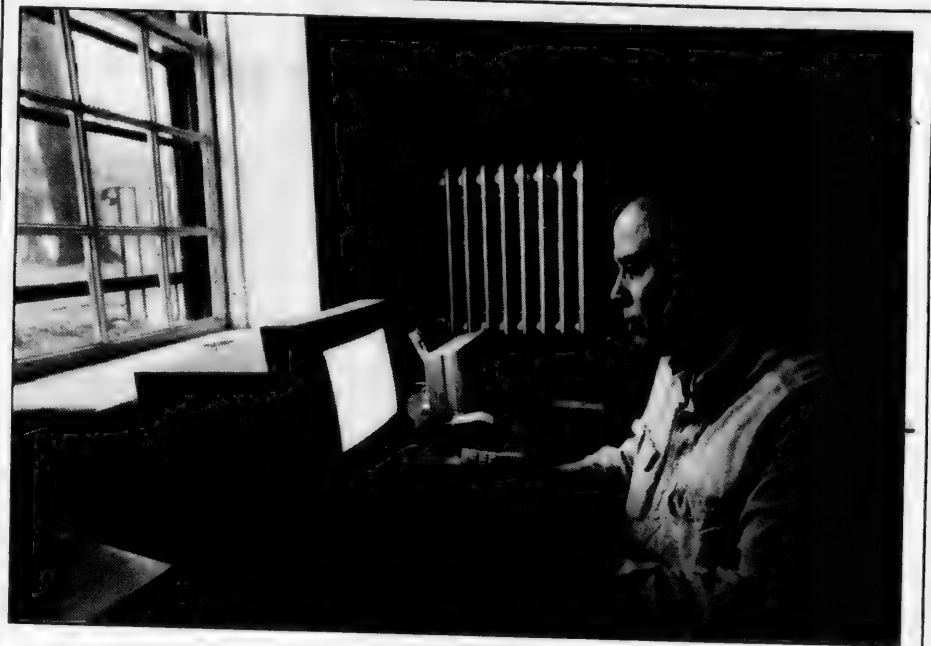
"The fire is very comforting because it's warm. It's relaxing. I'm just really drawn to it, maybe because I'm always freezing."

Although she's a second grade

teacher with limited time to write, Ms. Wittbold said she doesn't believe she needs to set aside specific times to write. Having nothing to do but write is a luxury, not a necessity.

"I think if you really have a love of writing you don't need to write from 3 to 6 every day. I think you always have a story developing in your mind. It's kind of just always happening.

"Sometimes I think if I just had a snow day I could get a lot done, but that's not the problem. Once I get on a story nothing stops me from writing. (Writing a story) is like a challenge you create for yourself. You are afraid. You are afraid of failing."



John Gould

Writer, *The Withering Child*
Phillips Academy professor,
house parent

"What I did last spring (while writing a new book) was come down here from 9 to 1 and work five days a week. I could sit and watch the spring arrive and watch daffodils come up. I still ran the dorm but during the day it was deathly quiet.

"I like this place. I like this kind of cave effect and being able to look out of the cave at the green," he said. "The building is called Rockwell and

sometimes The Rock, and here we are in the ground beneath The Rock."

"When you think that this is a prep school and I'm a house (parent) this was wonderfully private."

He tends to keep a neat desk, as if he fears stray paper might stand in the way of scintillating prose.

"I would much rather have the desk empty. Or if not empty, fairly unbusy," he said. "I guess I'm happy in a small place working. I really like this room. I don't think I would need anything more."



Writers from left are Jane Gossard, Fran McCormick (in back) Nancy Bailey Miller and Barbara Brown. Paula Trespas is also in this writer's group.

Nancy Bailey Miller

Poet, *Dance Me Along the Path*
Manages Cochran Chapel

"I write lots of places - (most often at) the kitchen table. It's not the only place I write because when inspirations come I might be in a car. I've been known to pull over and write a poem. I keep paper in the car.

"I've written a lot of poems in a motel room at 6 a.m. I try to keep paper with me at all times. I've written poems during my daughter's track meets. I always keep paper in my pocketbook.

"Or you write when you're waiting in the dentist's office. I'm never bored even if I have to wait somewhere. I'm never bored."

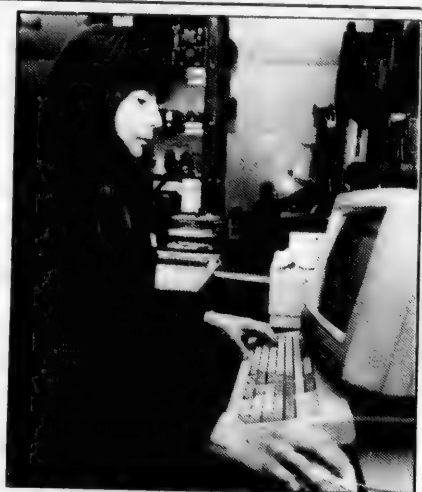
Ms. Miller said she attends poetry workshops and meets with an Andover poetry group every two weeks. They last gathered Jan. 23 and Ms. Miller said the group helps keep her on track by giving her writing deadlines.

"I don't do as well in isolation," she said. "I find that I need to share it. The community piece of it is very helpful for me... I owe a lot to the group from the standpoint of the nurturing environment, the encouragement.

"The creative process continues to be a mystery to me. When it works it works. Sometimes it's very compelling and it won't let you get away and sometimes it seems you'll never get it again."

Where some Andover writers write

If you've seen the book, *The Writer's Desk* (Random House), you will understand where the idea for this *Townsmen* feature came from. In that book, Jill Krementz has photographed 56 writers who talk about their writing environments. John Updike wrote the introduction to the book. The *Townsmen* asked some Andover writers about their writing environment, and *Townsmen* photographer Lisa Adelsberger took the photos. Reporter Neil Fater did the interviews.



Jeanne Schinto

Writer, *Shadow Bands*, *Children of Men*, *Huddle Fever*
Brooks School teacher

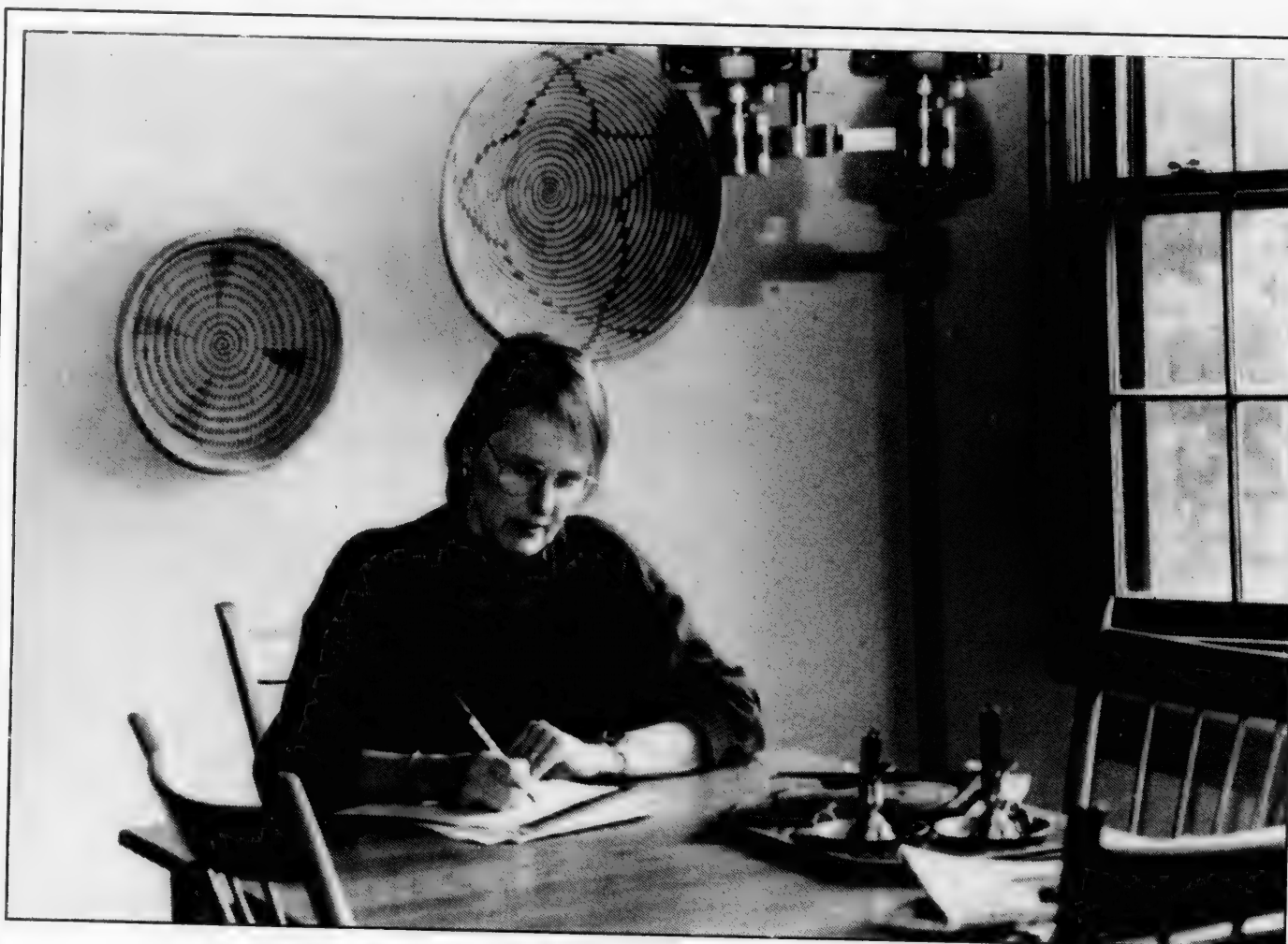
"You're supposed to be by yourself, aren't you? In all the other years, the 20 years I've written, I've been by myself."

But Ms. Schinto said when she moved into her current house with clock-fixing husband Bob Frishman, she realized she couldn't have a guest room unless she shared her writing room with Bob's broken time keepers. "People write novels in prison. Novels are written in prison and the gulag so why can't they be written here?"

"Yes, the clocks do make a lot of noise. When he makes a really loud noise Bob will warn me they're going to (SPROING! or whatever). It is something unusual and yet when I started to work in here I found I almost preferred it to writing by myself."

"I'm not disturbed by the phone because Bob's conversations are usually boring. 'You're clock is ready.' or 'When can you bring it in?'"

"The idea of someone sitting at their garret undisturbed is great," she said. "But the last two places I lived were Washington, D.C. and Lawrence. This is like the grave compared to them."



Kathleen Aponick

Poet, *Near the River's Edge*
Substitute teacher

"I was thinking about the whole subject of where people write and it really doesn't matter does it? As long as you have an idea, you're going to write it down no matter where you are."

But Ms. Aponick does need it to be quiet and she does tend to grow attached to particular areas, she said.

"The place has to be pleasant. For some people it doesn't matter, but for me, I like a pleasant room," she said. "This is a comfortable place for me,

sitting on this couch.

"I'll take my idea and just get some paper and write maybe 10 or 15 drafts of it, get to a point where I'm comfortable where it's moving and then I'll put it on the computer." Sometimes she writes at a table at home.

Ms. Aponick says she takes her drafts with her wherever she goes but writing on the couch "is better because I can really block everything out."

"I think there's an aura. Places have auras and a lot of time you don't know what goes into it to make it right for you. I don't know if I can articulate

it. It's a place that allows you to get your thoughts onto the page, to free your subconscious

"There's a lot going on in your head and (the idea) is there but you have to find that quiet time, and it has to be an extended time, to let it come forward. If you are constantly interrupted, if you let things come in, then your mind isn't free to create."

"You have to be in a special place to do that."

A special physical place or mental place?

"Both," she says. "Your mind has to be free to wander."



Helena Minton

Poet, *The Canal Bed*
Peabody librarian

Helena Minton shares her writing room, and more importantly the computer within it, with her husband and son.

"The door is never closed," she said. "I probably write more when there's no one in the house. I can write when there's a lot of noise around when it's a certain kind of writing."

"With poetry, everything I write is so internal it doesn't matter where I am, what's going on around me."

"I don't think a movie ever has

been written about a writer that's any good and it's because what they do is internal."

Sometimes Ms. Minton writes in her head, while walking outdoors. Back before the computer became a hot commodity in the Minton manor, Ms. Minton used to work on a typewriter in the basement.

"It's dark there. I wasn't crazy about it," she said. "It is nice to be alone in the house but I don't know that I like being in the basement. It's kind of lonely and writing is a lonely pursuit anyway. But I don't think it's ever really mattered. I think I just write in the rooms I've lived in."

LETTERS



November 1995 photo

Bob McIntyre

Bob McIntyre: teacher, coach, adviser, friend

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The purpose of this letter is to reflect on the recent passing of Bob McIntyre. My relationship with Bob was unique. In the early years as teacher, coach and adviser at Punchard High School. In later years as close friend, neighbor and mentor to our children in both scholastics and athletics.

The values he left us are endless. Discipline, dedication, grit, sportsmanship and competitiveness come to mind. His drive to serve youth must be considered legendary as evidenced by the diversified list of his credits.

On a personal note, next to my

father and along with Bernard Kellmurray, I don't believe there is an elder who had more influence on my life as a young man.

This beautiful man battled cancer for eight years and never gave up. I love you Bob. God bless.

Charles W. Bowman
1311 Ruthridge Court
Bel Air, Md. 21014

More about Sterling Development and officials' duties

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I have lived on Rocky Hill Road for 11 years. My husband grew up in a house down the street, his father grew up a little further down the street. There have been three generations of Crossleys to attend what was Punchard High and is now Doherty Middle School. I suppose you'd call us townies.

Rocky Hill and Linda roads are a community within a community. On summer nights the neighborhood children roam from yard to yard, playing flashlight tag or capture the flag. No one objects when a hoard of children come roaring through, disturbing the evening. We do Little League, softball, Daisy's, attend PTO meetings, volunteer at our schools, and are active in town. I think we're a pretty average bunch: teachers, local business owners, professionals and non-professionals. We're certainly not the richest people around, but kind of ordinary, looking out for our families, our friends, and always, our neighbors. It's never a problem getting someone to feed the dog or water the plants when you go away.

What has continually amazed me about the proposed development of off Rocky Hill Road is how illegalities have virtually been ignored. Wetlands were

filled in, Sterling Development Inc. was not registered with the secretary of state when plans were filed. These are just two examples, and as was pointed out at the last town meeting, there are more. In a time when communities everywhere worry about the messages children receive, this astounds me.

Town officials are often referred to as "town fathers." Their role is to protect the residents' interests and to enforce laws and codes. The law has apparently been brushed aside in this instance, with what appears to me, very little thought.

Unfortunately, children learn all too early that justice prevails - sometimes. I fully expect our town officials to set an example of correct behavior, to follow the law and building codes, to think of more than an increased tax base, to take the impact on current town residents into consideration.

A few years ago the phrase "moral vacuum" caused great controversy. I would urge town officials to reflect back on that, to consider the messages they send to residents, and would-be developers regarding how seriously the law is respected in Andover.

Maggie Crossley
52 Rocky Hill Road

Sterling Development proposal calls for a hydrological study

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I have read the letter by Peter Wood that appeared in the Feb. 13 issue of the *Townsmen*. ["Rocky Hill Road resident wants hydrological study done there," page 31.] That letter is in regard to the Sterling Development Company's proposal to build 11 homes at the top of Rocky Hill Road.

I am not an abutter to that property, but I am a resident who uses Main Street, Route 28. When there is a flow of water from Linda Road and Rocky Hill Road crossing Main Street there is potential for accidents from lessened steering control and lost braking capacity from wet brakes. Any aggravation of this existing problem should not be accepted.

Mr. Wood's suggestion of a hydrological study to assess the effect of the reduced ground area's ability to absorb water seems reasonable to me. If that has not been done because the town does not have applicable funds, I believe it should behoove the development applicant to provide such a study as a part of his application. The interests of those abutters and neighbors who could suffer from wet basements and possible septic system problems because of changed water table level certainly deserve consideration. A hydrological study would be the way to do that.

Harry Budd
38 Bancroft Road

DOWN THE YEARS

Compiled by Eszter Vajda

100 Years Ago - Feb. 1897

The town warrant bears striking evidence of the recent agitation in town of the park question. The taking of the town's land at Indian Ridge and the purchase of the Richardson lot are in question.

At the last director's meeting of the Andover Guild, satisfactory reports were received from the various committees - notably from those in charge of the Sewing School and the dressmaking class. The Guild House is now a busy hive, daily filled with workers, clubs and classes. Many visitors call to see the building and bring girls to offer assistance.

Those citizens of Andover who take an interest in public affairs have been recently greatly surprised, not to say grieved at a vote given by their Legislature on the Arbitration Treaty. As is well known, this treaty is an earnest and serious attempt on the part of England to devise some way of settling international disputes that arise between them, without resorting to the horrid and bloody process of war.

And it is a movement of the greatest interest and importance to human welfare and progress, heralding as it does the doom of a better era for humanity and Christian civilization; and making the dream when "nations should learn war no more," a glorious reality. And yet when the endorsement of such came... the vote of Andover's Representative was thrown against it, much to the disappointment of nine-tenths of its citizens. The vote before the House stood at 141 in the affirmative, 11 in the negative. And William Adlin's name is found among the negative...

75 Years Ago - Feb. 1922

The race in the Shawsheen Village Bowling league is getting closer and even more interesting; and even the lowly Jennisons have a chance for first honors. The Treats dropped four last week and the Electricians copped the full quota and are now but one point behind the leaders. The Garage failed to appear and the first fortified points in nine weeks were recorded.

Because of the prevalence of gripe among the grangers it was thought best to postpone the social and supper of the Women's League of Andover Grange, that was to have been held on Thursday evening. It will be held at a later date.

The Farther's Lights society held its Annual Mothers' Daughters' night last Monday and about forty women sat down to a most delicious banquet served. The menu consisted of fruit

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It makes you feel vulnerable

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a time and the rest will happen.

- When I pray I almost always begin with the list of things for which I am grateful. That may sound difficult, especially if you are sick, or if someone you love is dying, or if your car won't start, or you've flunked math. But if you think of the things in your life that are good, and thank God for them, you'll find the list grows. And so will your gratitude. And so will the love in your heart. Trust me on this one.

- The God I know isn't in charge of the every day nitty gritty things that happen to us. So if I am sick, God didn't program me for that bad luck. It is just that: the luck of the draw.

The beauty of spirituality and religion is that it is there, available to us to rely on, to draw on, to be in concert with. It is a way to live. It sometimes can be difficult, but it works.

I learned recently that a co-worker is going to have an operation. She told me all about it while a couple of other women listened. When she'd finished, I said, "I'll be chief prayer person for you." I don't know why I put it that way. But I had a feeling it was "safe" to let her know she would be in my prayers.

"Hey," said one of the other women, "I'll pray for her too."

"I pray too," said a third.

It felt good that we shared that.

Recently, I talked at church about being ill and about what my spirituality meant to me at the time and now. What happens when you talk about it is other people are willing to share their stories with you. That's a wonderful connection. And that's what makes all this worthwhile: connections, hope and love.

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Teachers might have to be flexible

The school's Strategic Planning Team is looking for a way to add educational time to Andover High School students' school days.

The Education Reform Act of 1993 mandates that high school students have to spend a certain amount of time in school, beginning next year.

Planners are looking at several options:

- Extend the school day.
- Flex time: Students would remain in class longer, but teachers would not work any additional hours. Teachers would work staggered starting and finishing times.
- Add three to five minutes onto each class, while keeping a similar school schedule.
- Blocking: The school day would be divided into 90-minute classroom blocks, instead of the current 42-minute blocks.
- A combination of options. Some students and teachers would be "blocked," some would not.

Those are some good options.

What we are worrying about is the possibility that the teachers' contract will knock out one option – a longer school day.

The issue is specifically mentioned in the current teachers' contract as part of a section on how the schools would deal with time requirements in 1996. In it, there is a sentence that says, "In making its decisions, the School Committee will make every reasonable effort to choose a plan that does not include extending the teacher day."

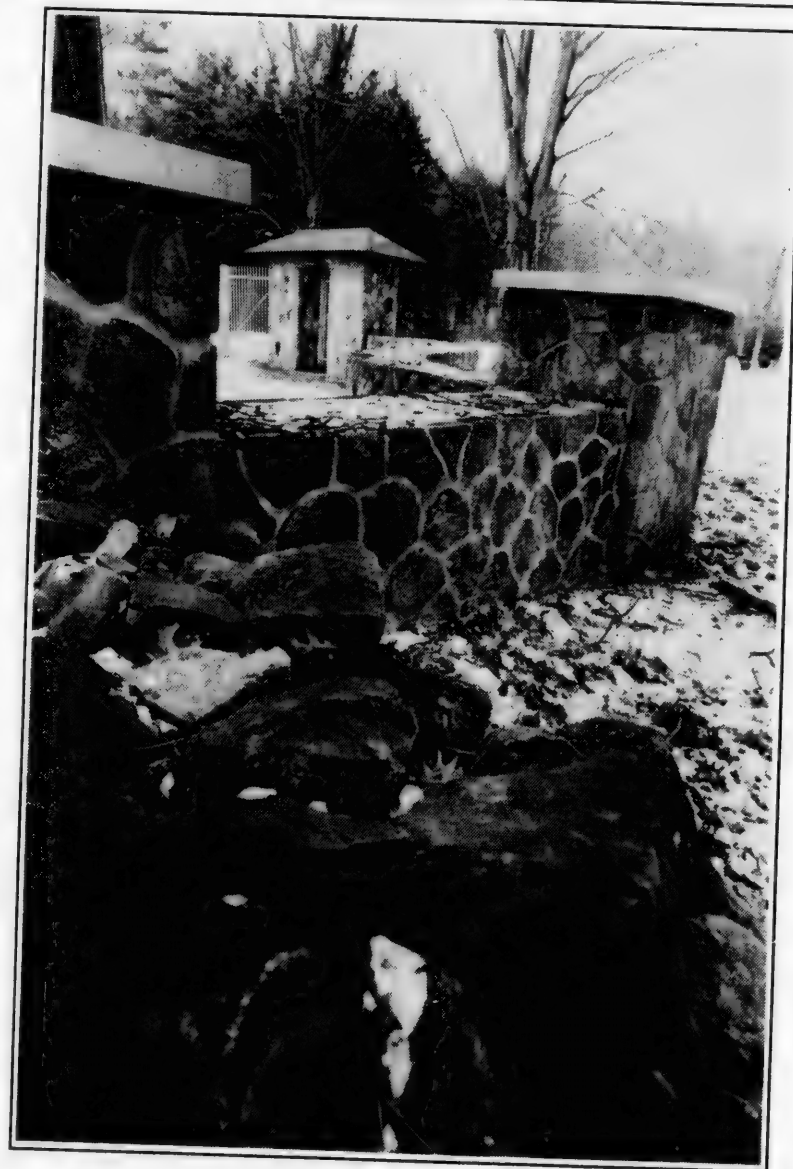
Why? Because the teachers' union is powerful, that's why. But why should others work more hours and teachers be eliminated from such an option? If a longer school day makes the best sense, then teachers will have to work a few more minutes each day.

We feel sure that good, reasonable and excellent teachers would be willing to work a few more minutes a day to comply with the Education Reform Act.

COLD WINTER'S DAY

Looking into West Parish Cemetery, at the Reservation Road entrance.

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger



Religion: Why don't we talk about it?

By Perry Colmore

Not too many people talk about religion. They may say they go to church, or that church or temple is important to them, but people don't often talk about religious experiences.

In the newsroom recently we were talking about so-called "religion" stories. We run very few of them. We write about new rabbis or ministers; or about priests leaving to go to other parishes. We write about a new temple being built.

But we don't write about what religion means to us, to you, to this community.

I wonder why.

On staff here, some of us think we should run more religion stories. In fact, we've asked the Andover Clergy Association if we could come to a meeting soon to talk about what kinds of religion stories we could

and should be writing. We thought they might point us in a good direction.

Someone else on staff said religion stories can be boring. And I agree with that. They can. But religion is not boring. In fact, if religion is important to you, not only is it not boring, it's downright the center of your life.

I think one of the problems is that some people who have "gotten religion" have tried to cram it down others' throats and have turned off a lot of people. Religion, snake oil, exercise, a just-released movie or book – whatever the subject – no one wants to be told it's the best or the most essential or something you can't live without or the only way to go.

The problem, I believe, is vulnerability. Not everyone is spiritual. Not everyone believes in God. Religion is very personal. If I tell you what religion does for me, then maybe you'll think I've lost it; you might be turned off.

But, the older I get, the more vulnerable I am willing to be. In other words, I am more secure at this age,

and if you don't want to take in what I have to say, that's fine; I don't mind. I assume (sometimes incorrectly) that you'll give me the space to have my opinion, just as I will grant you yours.

Afterall, I've talked and written about having breast cancer. Can I be a lot more vulnerable than that?

So why do I go to church? Why do I say prayers every day, often two or three times a day? Can I claim that my prayers have been answered? And how can there be a God if there is so much evil in the world? Aren't I angry that I've been so sick? Was that punishment for ill deeds?

Here are a few answers:

- When I acknowledge God in my life, when I keep up with my prayers, I am much more relaxed, centered and functioning at a better level.

- When I acknowledge a being higher than myself, I experience huge relief. I remember that it is not I who am in charge; that I am not responsible for how all this comes out, and that I can just take a step at

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Problems 'worse if anything' at Andover High

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construction project. Following another visit Feb. 13, she sent another memo detailing nine other items.

She also had sent a letter to architect David Crotoau Feb. 10, detailing nine items "for some of which this office has requested information but received none."

An inadequate smoke evacuation system and ceilings either designed or actually built so low that they are in violation of state code are just two of the serious problems troubling the town building inspector, according to documents obtained by the *Townsmen*.

(See related story.)

Mr. Penney said the problems at the High School are worse now than they were on May 1, 1995. Asked who was responsible for things getting worse at the High School, Mr. Penney said, "I don't have the power to fire the contractor over there. The answer to your question is whoever's in charge of keeping the contractor on the job."

Mr. Penney saying he believes things are worse now than they were May 1, 1995 is a significant statement from him.

On May 1, 1995 he wrote a memo to Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, say-

ing there was "a reckless abandon of public health and safety considerations and a wanton disregard for compliance with basic life, health and safety procedures" at the High School site, and to a lesser degree at the South School site.

"I think (things at the High School) are worse now, if anything," Mr. Penney said Wednesday morning. "There have been several incidents even in the last few months. There's debris falling from one floor to another and releases of gas and dust."

"It's been a continuous baby-sitting problem" for several town depart-

ments, he said.

Mr. Penney also charged there is not enough interaction between architects Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates, "highly paid" consultant Mead Consulting and members of town departments.

Mr. Penney said changes are made in the field and on drawings but permits are not pulled and town departments are not informed until well after the fact.

"It wouldn't happen in any other industry in town. It wouldn't happen with Raytheon. It wouldn't happen with Genetics Institute," he said.

Building inspector finds violations at Andover High

By Don Staruk

Kaija Gilmore, the town's building inspector, found several building, fire and safety code violations at the Andover High School construction project during her daily walks through the site in the last two weeks. They include a stairway to the cafeteria that is unusable because it is not structurally sound, ceilings that are too low, door, window and wall construction that is not up to code, and several fire hazards.

The violations are detailed in two memos she sent to Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, Feb. 10 and 13, and in a letter she sent to the project architect Feb. 10.

The most serious of the items mentioned appear to be:

- "Repairs to the 'bridge' structure and access stair in the cafeteria. This bridge has been taken out of service due to its (questionable) structural integrity";

- Regarding modifications to the smoke evacuation system in an entrance lobby and adjoining spaces: "The certificate of occupancy to this segment of the building was issued on certain conditions, namely that addi-

tional smoke detectors be installed" that would activate fans. "In September 1996 the Andover Fire Chief requested that these repairs be completed in due time not to exceed a couple of weeks, however, nothing has been done to date. Please note that this is an occupied building for which the system is required. Please note further that the system now in place does not meet the requirements of the State Building Code";

- "There still remain areas in the project where the ceiling height is either shown or already constructed to be less than 7 feet 6 inches, which is the minimum clear height from floor to ceiling... as required";

- "The Career Center now in room 3033 has only one exitway out, which is totally inadequate. A second doorway from the large room shall be provided immediately, and the room shall not be occupied until this has been done. (There are no windows, the small corridor leading into the room is made hazardous by placing office equipment thus hindering safe exit. There is also a multitude of highly combustible material and furniture in this room.) This exit order... is effective

immediately due to life safety hazard";

- "The (handicapped) accessible doors in the new science wing and Field House have been rendered inoperable by locking. This hinders handicapped persons from entering or exiting the buildings, especially in wheelchairs, and renders the door operators useless";

- "In the lower level of Dunn Gymnasium the majority of the corridor doors have been glazed with something else besides wired glass. These corridors have a fire resistance rating of one hour with door assemblies having a minimum fire resistance rating of 20 minutes. The glazing in these doors shall be minimum one-quarter-inch thick wired glass";

- "The double door No. 1001H has both electric closers disconnected from the fire-alarm system. All hold-open devices shall be tied to the fire alarm in this fire wall";

- "The fire alarm pull station at exit door No. 1008B has been broken";

- "There is no permanent signage anywhere in the new or renovated areas of the school. The permanent

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Final four picked for next building project

By Neil Fater

The Space Needs Advisory Committee will present to the School Committee Tuesday, Feb. 25, four "viable" options for dealing with the projected overcrowding at the elementary- and middle-school levels.

Two options would call for programmatic changes and create middle schools for grades 5 to 8.

One of these options would build a new 5-8 middle school and renovate Doherty and West middle schools. The other option would build this new middle school without renovating the existing schools.

An option that would not require a programmatic change would add two rooms per grade at Sanborn elementary, build a new 6-8 middle school and renovate the existing middle schools. A final viable option to be presented will also call for new rooms at Sanborn and a new 6-8 middle school, but not touch the existing middle schools.

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OBITUARIES

Sarah J. Thompson Nursing instructor

Sarah J. (Burke) Thompson, 62, of Andover died Wednesday, Feb. 12, at home.

Mrs. Thompson was born in Mahanoy City, Pa. She attended Hood College in Frederick, Md., and graduated from Cornell University New York Hospital School of Nursing.

The registered nurse began her career as a visiting nurse in New York City. She was a nursing instructor and then acting director of Lowell General Hospital School of Nursing until 1969. She began work at Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley in 1987 and specialized in the family care of adults program

until she retired in 1995.

Mrs. Thompson was a member and past president of Massachusetts Council for Adult Foster Care.

She attended St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her husband, John P. Thompson of Andover; daughter, Amy J. Thompson of Cambridge; mother, Sarah Burke of Weatherly, Pa.; sisters, Patricia Hametz, also of Weatherly, Nancy Burke of Safety Harbor, Fla., and Susan Marley of Virginia Beach, Va.; brothers, Stephen Burke of Savannah, Ga., and Timothy Burke of Olympia, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said Saturday in St. Augustine Church.

Cremation was in Linwood Crematory.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Hospital Cancer Management Center, 70 East St., Methuen, Mass. 01844, or to the charity of one's choice.

Donna E. Malley AHS grad did Jimmy Fund walks

Donna E. Malley, 31, of Malden, died Wednesday, Feb. 12, at home, of cancer.

Mrs. Malley was born in Lawrence. She was raised in Andover and graduated from Andover High School and from the University of Massachusetts Amherst in 1987.

She lived in Melrose for a short time before she moved to Malden five years ago.

Mrs. Malley was a skills trainer for the State Street Bank for seven years.

She was a council member for the Jimmy Fund and had organized a fund-raising team for the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk for the past five years and participated in the walks.

She enjoyed traveling with her husband and weekly tap dancing sessions.

Members of her family include her husband, John J. Malley of Malden; parents, Chester J. and Inez D. (Lewin) Jenkins of Marion; brothers, Dr. Roger L. Jenkins of Andover and his wife, Susan Jenkins, Dr. Stephen A. Jenkins of Stowe and Robert A. Jenkins of Groton; mother-in-law and father-in-law; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A funeral service was held Saturday at South Congregational Church. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Gately Funeral Home in Melrose.

Memorial contributions may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute Tribute Program, 1 Harvard St., Brookline, Mass. 02146-9795.

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Eli G. Kalil, 86

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Sarah J. Thompson, 62

Emma V. Veilleux, 92

Deaths Elsewhere

BEAN - Dorothy E. (Miron) Bean, 74, of Salisbury, died Friday, Feb. 14, at Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport.

Mrs. Bean was a bookkeeper for the Internal Revenue Service in Andover.

FITZGERALD - Rose V. (Strovink) Fitzgerald, 92, died Friday at Kenoza Manor Nursing Home in Haverhill.

Members of her family include her niece and nephew, James T. Reid and Margaret A. Reid, both of Andover.

GRASSI - Florence E. (Trussell) Grassi, of Methuen, died Sunday, Feb. 16, at home. Mrs. Grassi had worked at the Internal Revenue Service in Andover for more than 10 years.

JOHNSON - Harold C. Johnson, 70, of Salem, N.H., died Tuesday, Feb. 11, at his home, of cancer.

Mr. Johnson was chief of employment, head of the U.S. Civil Service Examiners and chief of plans and programs with the IRS now located in Andover.

KALIL - Eli G. Kalil, 86, of Methuen, died Friday, Feb. 14, at Lawrence General Hospital as a result of an automobile accident in Andover.

Mr. Kalil was a longtime member of Andover Country Club.

VEILLEUX - Emma (Dube) Veilleux, 92, of Amesbury, died Monday, Feb. 17, at Mariner Health Care in Amesbury.

Mrs. Veilleux attended St. Robert Bellarmine Church.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Eugene D. and Carol G. Veilleux of Andover.

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ARRESTS

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - At 11:15 a.m., John Mesquita, 19, of 34 Foster Circle, was arrested at his home and charged on an Andover warrant for assault and battery. The assault allegedly occurred on Main Street in Andover early the same morning.

Thursday, Feb. 13 - At 4:19 p.m., Frances R. Zengotita, 36, of 300H Brookside Drive, was arrested at her apartment and charged with assault and battery after the report of a domestic dispute there.

Friday, Feb. 14 - At 7:04 a.m., David DeJesus, 22, of Lawrence, was arrested on Central Street and charged with operating after suspension of his license and failure to stay in marked lanes.

Saturday, Feb. 15 - At 2:24 a.m., George P. Kapeleris, 29, of Haverhill, was arrested on Route 495 northbound and charged with operating after suspension of his license. Vasilios Antonakis, 24, of Haverhill, was arrested with Mr. Kapeleris and charged on a Salisbury warrant for operating after suspension of his license.

At 2:35 a.m., a 45-year-old man with no known address was placed in protective custody after he was found wandering at Dundee Park and was uncooperative about going to a homeless shelter.

At 6:53 a.m., Phillip R. Newman, 29, of 373 Salem St., was arrested on Bartlet Street and charged with operating after suspension of his license.

Sunday, Feb. 16 - At 1:54 a.m., Junior Sanchez, 20, of Lawrence, was arrested on a warrant.

At 2:19 a.m., Jean

W. Mondesir, 32, of Methuen, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with operating after suspension of her license.

At 6:47 a.m., Margaret M. Jones, 33, of Malden, was arrested on Colonial Drive and charged with assault and battery, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (a lamp) and malicious destruction of property. The charges followed a domestic dispute at an apartment there.

At 7:34 a.m., Florencio Cuevas, 39, of Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with operating after revocation of his license and speeding.

Monday, Feb. 17 - At 2:13 a.m., Luis M. Hernandez Jr., 18, of Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged with being a minor transporting alcohol and operating after suspension of his license.

At 7:02 a.m., Jeremiah J. Muhilly, 41, of Lowell, was arrested on River Road and charged with operating after suspension of his license.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - At 11:26 p.m., a Chandler Road man reported "some type of critter" just fell down his chimney. An officer assisted in getting the animal

out of the house.

Thursday, Feb. 13 - At 11:53 a.m., a business at 10 New England Business Park Drive reported a client threatened to blow up the building.

Friday, Feb. 14 - At 4:33 p.m., a woman reported her husband needed assistance at the Morningside Drive house with an unknown animal. An officer reported the house was torn apart and the animal could not be found. Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader was notified.

At 8:01 p.m., Phillips Academy security reported a Peeping Tom had been spotted the previous evening outside Stevens Hall.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - At 7:58 a.m., a school mini-bus was involved in an accident with a car at the intersection of Chestnut and Main streets. No injuries were reported, but one young boy was taken to Lawrence General Hospital to be examined.

Accidents also occurred at the following dates, times and locations:

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - 10:49 p.m., near 50 Clark Road, car vs. wall;

Thursday, Feb. 13 - 1:39 p.m., near 94 Abbot St., car vs. tree;

Friday, Feb. 14 - 9:46 p.m., between

305 -362 Cross St.; 11:17 p.m., at Greenwood and Ledge roads, with injuries;

12:11 p.m., near 192 Beacon St, car off road;

3:16 p.m., near 160 Dascomb Road, with three persons injured;

9:46 p.m., near 344 High Plain Road;

11:17 p.m., at Greenwood and Ledge roads;

Saturday, Feb. 15 - 7:23 a.m., near 55 Jenkins Road, car vs. pole;

Sunday, Feb. 16 - 8:34 a.m., Bellevue Road caller reported a car in his front yard with no owner in site. The car was towed and police were attempting to contact its Lowell owner.

Monday, Feb. 17 - 6:50 a.m., near 105 Central St., car off road in river. An officer reported the car was not in the river.

BREAKS

Saturday, Feb. 15 - At 10:54 a.m., a break was reported at Emcon Northeast, 6 Riverside Drive. Windows were broken and computers were reported taken from the building.

At 3:20 p.m., money was reported taken from an apartment on Essex Street.

Sunday, Feb. 16 - At 3:08 a.m., a break was reported into a shed at the driving

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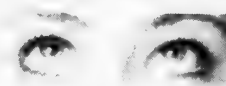
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Attorney James B. Krasnoo in his Andover office
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James B. Krasnoo recently moved his law practice from Boston to Andover and with it his 33 years experience in criminal and civil litigation. A resident of Candlewood Drive, Mr. Krasnoo says that easing his commute was the prime reason for the move. He also says that Andover can use good, solid trial counsel with experience in state and federal, trial and appellate courts.

"We specialize in trial work," he says. "I provide a complete range of trial services to people with litigation problems."

Mr. Krasnoo's experience ranges from civil rights through the whole gamut of tort law, from property-damage and personal-injury claims to product liability and medical malpractice. His litigation practice also includes business and contract disputes, land-

court matters, and employment cases involving discrimination, unfair termination and harassment. "I do a lot of criminal work as well, from the simplest of criminal cases all the way up to first-degree murder."

Mr. Krasnoo prosecuted for more than seven years as an assistant United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, and as an assistant attorney general in Mass. He has practiced in state courts in six states, and in federal courts in three states. He is a member of both the Mass. and California bars, and various federal court bars.

Mr. Krasnoo earned a bachelor's degree from Harvard, his doctor of jurisprudence from the University of Chicago, and a masters in English literature from Northeastern. He was a founding

member of Norris, Kozodoy, Krasnoo & Fong for 18 years, and has been a sole practitioner for the last six years.

Mr. Krasnoo and his wife, Joan, have lived in Andover 22 years and have two sons, Ethan, 21, and Paul, 19. Mr. Krasnoo served as president two of his six years on Andover's Parent Advisory Council and is active at Temple Emanuel and other local organizations. He occasionally lectures Andover High students on constitutional law, has taught at B.U. and New England School of Law, and is presently teaching at Suffolk Law School.

Attorney James B. Krasnoo's new office is in the BayBank building, 23 Main St., Terrace Level. Tel: 475-9955; fax: 474-9005; e-mail: jimkrasnoo@aol.com.

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tions."

In closing her letter to David Croteau,

architect for Earl R. Flansbergh and Associates, Ms.

Gilmore said, "Finally, requests have been made by (town

officials) for the issuance of inspection reports by the

project architect and engineer... as required by (State

Building Code). None have been received."

DOWN THE YEARS

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cocktail, chicken patties, mashed potatoes, peas, relishes, rolls, cream pie and coffee. At each place an old bouquet was placed as for those who were fortunate to attend, spent a most enjoyable evening.

25 Years Ago - February 1972

Andover voters will be facing one of the smallest ballots in recent history when they go to the polls for the annual town election. There are but six candidates for six offices. There will be two candidates seeking a three year term on the board of selectman and three men seeking a three year term on the school committee.

A capacity audience was in attendance to hear plans for the new Andover-North Andover Family YMCA, at a Community dinner held at the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School. The over 700 reservations made it the largest YMCA dinner in the Greater Lawrence area.

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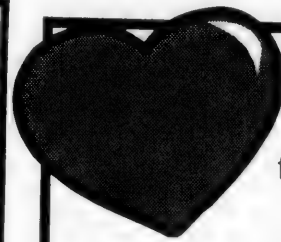
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Writers' reality

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at the keyboard and revising drafts. This is why Ms. Schinto calls the room where she does her work "The Execution Room." She knows many of her ideas may come while she's out and about in the world, but that The Execution Room is where she'll grind away and smooth out her story.

For some, staying at this kind of mundane work can be difficult, particularly when job, friend and family-related situations are tugging at them.

"The problem is just getting down to business and not letting the rest of the world get in your way. It's hard. I find it hard to discipline myself," says Kathleen Aponick, a substitute teacher who does have blocks of time on her hands to write. "I'm social as far as my life goes, but when I write I need to be away from it. I need (the world) to have things to write about, but then I need to get

away and be in a room to explore what I've lived through.

"I find I have to give myself deadlines," she says. "Life gets in the way. So you have to map out something. You have to map out time."

Ms. Aponick is not alone in setting deadlines to help her reach goals. Helena Minton uses meetings with writing groups to inspire herself to produce.

"I have to create deadlines. I am in a writing workshop which is in Cambridge," says Ms. Minton. "That is a very good motivator, not only to get ideas churning around, but to read other people's work. I hadn't been in a while and I found it was affecting my work."

While writing his latest book, *The Ecology of the Heart*, this summer, John Gould challenged himself to type 1,000 words per day.

"I stuck to it pretty much," he says. "But, clearly, I think 1,000 words is a lot to write in a day. This is a book I had this in my head for a long time so it came fast."

Mr. Gould says he got some of the ideas for his new book from a bike trip he took

across the country. Other writers also say their original idea for a while they're far away from their trusted keyboard. The writers interviewed for the centerspread talked about grabbing napkins, scrap paper or tissues and jotting down ideas in doctors' offices, stores and at sporting events.

After listing the number of places she had written, Ms. Miller holds up a yellow legal pad and says, "Actually this is where I write. It's the only thing that's standard."

If inspiration can strike anywhere, however, most writers do tend to pick one particular place they go to hammer this inspirational thought into its finished form. Some writers grow attached to these places.

Maureen Wittbold, a children's author and second-grade teacher, likes to sit by the warmth of her fireplace. Ms. Aponick admits, "I seem to go a

long time favoring one place," and believes different areas have

After years of struggling to create in her writing spot, Andover's Mary McGarry Morris says she considers her writing area so personal and private she politely declined a request to be photographed there.

But all of this doesn't mean someone needs to have a palatial setting to produce profound prose. Nevertheless, the image of the writer as someone locked away in a romantic or isolated place persists, even in Ms. Wittbold's second-grade class.

"I ask the kids if they think you need to have a place by the beach and bay windows and a fax machine and a water cooler to write and some of them think you do," she says. "I told them, 'No.' I've used a supermarket receipt. All you need is a writing utensil."

And an idea.

POLICE LOG

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range at Andover Country Club.

Monday, Feb. 17 - At 1:29 p.m., a car break was reported overnight on Lowell Street.

THEFTS

Tuesday, Feb. 11 - At 7:28 p.m., a computer was reported taken from a room at the Andover Marriott on Old River Road.

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - At 1:02 p.m., a pocketbook was reported taken from Greater Lawrence Technical School on River Road a day earlier, during a basketball game at the school.

At 7:25 p.m., a school bag was reported taken from Andover High School during a track meet at the school.

Friday, Feb. 14 - At 2:35 p.m., a pocketbook was reported taken from a car outside Dunkin' Donuts, 349 N. Main St.

At 5:30 p.m., a theft was reported at a residence on Abbot Street.

Sunday, Feb. 16 - At 9:45 a.m., two pocketbooks were reported taken from a room at the Marriott Courtyard on Campanelli Drive. A crow bar was used to enter the room.

Monday, Feb. 17 - At 4:33 p.m., money was reported taken from an employee's wallet at the Andover Marriott.

VANDALISM

Thursday, Feb. 13 - At 12:48 p.m., a car was reported damaged overnight on Fosters Pond Road.

At 2:22 p.m., kids were reported putting something on the train tracks behind Brickstone Square. An officer removed a motorcycle gasoline tank from the tracks.

Saturday, Feb. 15 - At 11:25 p.m., a car was reported damaged while parked at West Ele-

mentary School on Beacon Street.

Sunday, Feb. 16 - At 8:28 a.m., a motorist reported two tires flattened on his car while it was parked at the commuter lot on Dascomb Road.

At 9:41 p.m., a Juniper Road man reported his mailbox was just smashed by youths traveling in two vehicles that fled toward Beacon Street. Officers found two cars at West Elementary School and determined the occupants were the mailbox culprits. Ten youths were taken to the station and their parents were called. Police were taking calls from residents regarding the damage since numerous streets and mailboxes were involved.

CAR THEFTS

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - At 10:38 p.m., a 1992 Honda Accord was reported taken from in front of a house on Brookfield Road.

Sunday, Feb. 16 - At 7:09 a.m., a car previously reported taken from Lowell was recovered behind the Franciscan Center.

Monday, Feb. 17 - At 6:57 a.m., a van was reported taken from Railroad Street. The van was later returned by an unauthorized user who then fled.



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Sports roundup: Tough losses on the ice

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The locals placed first in seven of the 10 events overall, sweeping the hurdles and finishing 1-2 in the 300, mile and two-mile.

Other individual winners were junior sprinter Matt Aufiero (300 dash, 36.2), senior Captain Donnie Pattullo (1000 run, 2:29.2), senior Captain Matt Herling in the mile (4:41.2), and senior Todd Collins in the deuce (10:38.3).

Collins also ran a leg for the winning mile relay team (4:06.6), joining Dave Nassiff, freshman Charlie Gregory and sophomore anchor Matt Spitzer.

Junior Phil Ayoub (6.9) and sophomore Long Dang (7.1) completed the sweep of the hurdles.

Other runners-up for AHS were Matt Yost (50 dash, personal-best 5.7), sophomore Andy Pelletier (300 dash, personal-best 36.9), freshman miler Greg Stamm (4:56.3), junior two-miler Chris Rillahan (10:56.9) and senior shot putter Craig Hartwell (39'5").

Spitzer (600 run, 1:25.7) and senior high jumper Mike Orlandella (5'6") also contributed third places.

Methuen 50

Andover women 36

The Lady Warriors placed first in four of the 10 events, but host Methuen (8-1) swept the shot put, placed 1-2 in the 50 dash and won the mile relay by two strides to key the victory that nailed down second place in the final standings.

AHS winners were hurdler Barbara Contos (7.6), Megan Munroe (300 dash, 42.3), miler Kacie Dexter (5:59.7) and two-miler Katherine Blais (12:47.0).

Runners-up were Leslie Ring (600 run, 1:43.3), Jocelyn Gould (1000 run, 3:09.0) who was cut off illegally by a Methuen runner (no officials' disqualification call) during the race and high jumper Stephanie Brown (4'8").

Third-place finishers were hurdler Jessica Puccia (8.2), Nolia Hill (50 dash, 6.7), Lindsey Ravens (300 dash, 43.1), Nikki Winters (600 run, 1:44.3), Abby Clarke (1000 run, 3:13.0), two-miler Pam Muller (13:12) and high jumper Erin Harris.

Andover had the lead in the relay until the final lap.

Methuen 52

Andover men 34

The Golden Warriors managed three individual event wins and also emerged victorious in the mile relay.

Peter Ellis won the 50-yard hurdles (6.7), Matt Herling the 1000 run (2:34.2) and Greg Stamm the mile (5:03.7).

Herling also joined Phil Ayoub, Matt Spitzer and Matt Aufiero on the relay team (3:54.9).

Ellis equalled his season-best in the high jump, clearing 6'0," but had to settle for second place.

Other runners-up were Ayoub in the hurdles (6.9), Aufiero (300 dash, 36.2) and two-miler Todd Collins (10:27.2).

Placing third were Brent Sinowski (50 dash, 5.9), two-miler Nathan Blais and miler Andy Martin whose 5:17.0 clocking was a personal-best by 30 seconds.

Methuen swept the shot put and the 600, the locals having a runner disqualified in the latter event for an illegal cut (lane change).

HOCKEY

Tough losses less than 24 hours apart to Haverhill and Triton Regional of

Byfield placed the hockey team's back squarely against the wall entering last night's regular-season finale at the Graf Rink in Newburyport.

Needing two points in its final three games to finish at .500 and earn a tournament berth, the Golden Warriors dropped a 3-2 decision to Haverhill in the last Merrimack Valley/Dual County League Division 2 game.

The following day produced a 3-1 loss to Triton Regional in the opening round of the Newburyport Bank Classic.

That left head coach Bill Cullen's crew at 7-8-2 overall and brought it all down to last night's Newburyport third-place consolation game against Canton which lost 5-3 to Tewksbury in the other semifinal.

That consy was played after Towns-

man presstime.

"Our guys played well against both Haverhill and Triton, two teams we are definitely capable of beating," said coach Cullen. "It all comes down to the problem we've had all season trying to put the puck in the net. We don't have a pure goalscorer or a player that can instinctively finish off around the net."

"It's frustrating for the kids because they play hard and work for everything they get," added Cullen.

Six of the eight losses this season have been by one or two goals. Andover has not been shut out all winter, but only twice in 17 games have the Golden Warriors scored more than four goals.

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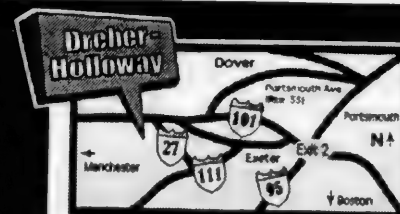
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SPORTS

AHS sports roundup: Who won, who lost

The Andover High women's varsity basketball team completed a rare record-breaking 20-0 regular season with recent victories over Tewksbury and Brookline.

The perfect mark for the top team in NESN's New England interscholastic ratings will earn the Lady Warriors a No. 1 seed in Division 1 North of the MIAA Tournament.

Tourney pairings are scheduled to be announced tomorrow with play in the single-elimination event beginning early next week.

Not to be overshadowed by the women is the effort of the AHS men's hoopsters, whose 16-4 record this winter will earn them a solid seed in the tournament as well.

The Andover varsity hockey team had a tournament berth riding on the outcome of last night's regular season finale in the consolation game of the Newburyport Bank Classic.

A victory puts AHS in the tourney while a loss or tie means wait until next year. The MIAA Hockey Tournament pairings will be announced next Monday with play scheduled to begin mid-week.

Big post-season meets are upcoming for the women's gymnastics, indoor track, ski and swim teams.

The MVC champion women's gym team will be at Danvers High on Saturday night for the North Sectional Meet, the track teams compete in the Eastern Mass. Class B Championships on Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Track Center in Roxbury, several members of the swim team are at the All-State Meet on Saturday at Springfield College, and three AHS skiers will travel to Charlton next Wednesday to compete in the All-State Individual Championships at Berkshire East.

Outstanding individual efforts by AHS athletes within the past week included those by swimmer Kevin Riley, gymnasts Wilson Man and Zack Gray and skiers Tim Witman, Christina Meuse and Monica Everett.

Riley won a North Sectional title in the 200-yard individual medley, Man and Gray completed the season with solid efforts at the State Individual and Team Championships, and the ski trio excelled at the Interscholastic and Steve Bove Memorial Races.

SKIING

Super sophomore Tim Witman finished a very close second, Christina Meuse was fourth and both Andover High ski teams placed third in the standings at the annual Interscholastic Meet Tuesday afternoon at Bradford Hill.

Witman, Christina Meuse and Monica Everett also finished top three in their divisions of the annual Steve Bove Memorial Race at Bradford Hill.

In their North Shore League regular season dual meet finale, the Andover men registered a solid 84-51 victory over North Andover at Bradford Hill.

The Golden Warriors closed at 10-4 overall, placing third in the standings behind undefeated NSL champ St. John's Prep (14-0) and runner-up Masconomet Regional (12-2).

Schedule

The 1997 season concludes on Wednesday, Feb. 26 with the All-State Meet at Berkshire East in Charlton.

Both Andover teams barely missed qualifying for the states as a group, but the school will be represented at Berkshire East by individual slalom and giant slalom qualifiers Tim Witman, Christina Meuse and Monica Everett.

Interscholastic Meet

The AHS men and women both duplicated their regular season finishes.

The men scored 312 points on the way to third behind St. John's Prep (347) and Masconomet Regional (316). North Andover was fourth (254),

Austin Prep fifth (152), Methuen sixth (139), Haverhill seventh (137) and Bishop Fenwick eighth (110).

Tim Witman's total time for two runs was 43.81 seconds, placing him in the runner-up position less than 2/10ths of a second behind individual winner Will Regii of St. John's Prep (43.65).

Dave Adey was the other top 10 finisher for Andover with a 46.94 clocking.

The AHS women scored 188 points to trail only runaway champ North Andover (315) and Masconomet (216). Bishop Fenwick was fourth (158), Haverhill fifth (108) and Methuen sixth (91).

Christina Meuse was the only Lady Warrior skier in the top 10, her 50.30 time placing fourth overall.

Caitlin Carey of Masconomet was the women's winner in 46.22.

Bove Memorial Race

Tim Witman was the top AHS finisher with a second place in the Men's Junior Division.

Once again Witman was runner-up to Will Regii of St. John's Prep, less than a half-second behind, as the Golden Warrior skier's total elapsed time for two runs was 46.73 seconds while Regii finished in 46.25.

It was strictly a two-way battle with the third-place finisher almost four seconds behind Witman.

Team Captain Christina Meuse was third in the Women's Senior Division with an elapsed time of 53.54, trailing only winner Debbie Schwartz of Phillips Andover Academy (49.64) and Alison Skoglund of Haverhill (52.00).

Monica Everett was third in the Women's Junior Division with a 59.93 clocking. Caitlin Carey of Masconomet (48.68) and Tara Saraghian of Phillips Andover (51.98) finished 1-2.

Andover men 84

North Andover 51

Tim Witman finished as the No. 1 racer in the league when he extended his win streak to seven straight races with a 21.14 clocking against the Scarlet Knights.

Aron Bellorado finished third (22.40), Pat Collins fourth (22.58), Dave Adey fifth (22.59), Bob Cronin and Nick Kline tied for eighth (23.71) and Jeremy Schofield 10th (23.76).

The Andover JVs wrapped up an 11-3 campaign with a tight 28-27 victory over North Andover.

German exchange student Dirk Pahre won the race (25.97), NA took the next three spots, and the Golden Warriors clinched the win by sweeping the next four places with Ted DeInnocentis (5th, 26.64), Matt Jaracz (6th, 26.91), Yaniv Rock (7th, 26.97) and Bob Rawlinson (8th, 27.12).

INDOOR TRACK

Both Andover High track teams completed the Merrimack Valley Conference dual meet season by splitting their final two meets.

The AHS women, who finished at 7-2 overall, defeated Billerica, 54-32, and lost to Methuen, 50-36, in their second-place showdown last Monday.

The men, 4-4 overall, duplicated those results with a 56-30 win over Billerica and a 52-34 loss to Methuen.

Because it is school vacation week, the locals were shorthanded against Methuen. Missing were five key athletes (three men, two women) and 20 kids overall because of ski trips, college visits and illness.

As a result, the coaches were forced to do some juggling with the lineup.

"It just wasn't a good day all around," said head coach Art Iworsley. "We only had two personal best performances."

Schedule

The State Class B Meet is scheduled this Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Track Center in Roxbury (9:30 a.m.).

Those individuals who qualify will advance to the All-State Meet the following Saturday, March 1, at the Lewis Center (11 a.m.).

The High School Nationals are scheduled the weekend of March 7-9 at the Lewis Center, while the New England Indoor Championships will conflict on Saturday, March 8 at Harvard University (noon).

Andover athletes who qualify will probably by-pass the Nationals and compete at the New Englands.

Andover women 54

Billerica 32

Bouncing back strongly from their first loss of the season, the Lady Warriors earned six wins and finished 1-2 in the 300 dash and shot put.

Individual victories went to junior hurdler Barbara Contos (7.5), freshman sprinter Megan Munroe (300, personal-best 41.9), junior miler Katherine Blais (5:38.5), sophomore two-miler Kristen Munson (12:06.1) and sophomore shot putter Nikki Shoemaker (30'0") who unleashed the first 30-foot toss of her varsity career.

Blais also anchored the victorious

mile relay team (4:33.2) which included sophomores Shannon Callahan-Higgins, Alison Corey and Munson.

Second place finishers were junior speedster Beth Har (50 dash, personal-best 6.4), freshman Lindsay Ravens (300, personal-best 42.3), Katie Murray (600 run, 1:44.0), freshman Kacie Dexter (1000 run, 2:55.1), senior high jumper Stephanie Brown (4'10") and sophomore shot putter Michelle Mills (28'6").

Completing the pointscorers with thirds were freshman hurdler Liz Wheeler (8.9), senior Captain Jacey Gould (1000 run, 3:06.0), junior miler Meghan Roth (6:06.1), sophomore two-miler Pam Muller (13:30.2) and senior Captain Erin Harris (high jump, 4'10").

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Senior Captain Peter Ellis posted his fourth double win of the season in the 50-yard hurdles (6.6) and high jump (5'10"), sparking the Golden Warriors to their second straight triumph.

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Roundup: Hogan, Colucci, Busby, Hoerner stars

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Andover, which has shut out two opponents, has yielded only 50 goals in 17 games (2.99 average) but scored only 52.

injury report

Andover had to play the Triton game without one of its top scorers, Scott Ciruso, who suffered an ankle injury the night before against Haverhill.

"Scott skated in warmups but couldn't put sufficient weight on the ankle to play," said coach Cullen.

Junior defenseman Matt Adams has also missed several games with an ankle injury, and defenseman Scott Petersen remains sidelined with a broken left wrist.

MV/DCL All-Stars

Junior goaltender John Hogan, junior defenseman Adam Colucci, and senior forwards Rob Busby and Josh Hoerner have been selected MV/DCL Division 2 All-Stars.

As such they will compete in the All-Star doubleheader this Sunday afternoon at Merrimack College, with the MV/DCL stars facing the Cape Ann League All-Stars in an abbreviated game consisting of two 20-minute periods.

The All-Conference teams, comprised of the top six or seven players in each division of the league, will be announced between games.

Scoring leaders

After 17 games Josh Hoerner is the top scorer with eight goals and 13 assists, closely followed by Rob Busby with nine goals, 11 assists.

Andover 3 Methuen 2

Senior Gold Line right wing Rob Busby's eighth goal, with just over five minutes to play, proved to be the game-winner as the Golden Warriors took a giant stride towards the tournament berth with this MV/DCL inter-division victory at the Methuen High rink.

The triumph also avenged a 6-3 non-league loss to the Rangers (3-10-3) on Dec. 30.

"It's tough to single out individual players because everyone contributed to the victory in one facet or another," said coach Cullen.

"John Hogan played another outstanding game in net, and Adam Colucci continued his excellent work on defense."

Colucci, who has also come alive offensively late in the season, broke a 0-0 tie with an unassisted goal at 5:40 of the second period.

Colucci carried the puck through the neutral zone and fired a low shot that caught the inside of the near post.

Captain Josh Hoerner's eighth goal made it 2-0 at 12:21 of the middle session, as he emerged from a scramble out front and pushed the puck home.

Junior left wing Marty Lastrina notched the assist as Andover, which outshot Methuen by a wide 14-6 margin in the period, entered the final stanza with a two-goal lead.

The Rangers ruined Hogan's shutout bid when Mike Kurps scored at 2:24 of the third.

That set the stage for Busby's clincher at 9:53, assists to Hoerner

and Lastrina during another goalmouth scramble.

"It was a bang-bang play and there was such a crowd around the net I didn't know at first who scored the

goal," said Cullen.

Methuen's Bob Reddish caused some anxious moments by scoring with 2:16 left to cut the lead to 3-2.

Andover's excellent forechecking made it

impossible for the Rangers to pull their goalie for an extra skater in the final minute.

Both teams finished with 28 shots on net as Hogan made 26 saves.

All three AHS penalties came in the third period.

Haverhill 3 Andover 2

The Golden Warriors' loss denied the locals at least a share of

the MV/DCL Division 2 championship.

It was especially difficult because Andover had its biggest offensive outburst of the sea-

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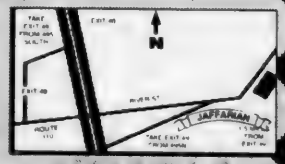
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Sports roundup: 'Disappointed for our kids'

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son in a 7-1 romp over the same Haverhill team in their first meeting on Jan. 19.

Scott Ciruso, who left the game early with an ankle injury, gave AHS a 1-0 first-period lead with his eighth goal of the season at the 3:19 mark.

It was Ciruso's fifth goal in two games against the Hillies.

Senior defenseman Peter Zetlan notched the assist when Ciruso collected the rebound of his long slapshot and flicked the puck into a top corner of the Hillies' net.

Haverhill scored all three of its goals in the second period, taking a 3-1 lead, but Rob Busby's ninth goal during a scramble brought the Golden Warriors back within one.

Josh Hoerner and Marty Lastrina collected assists on Busby's tally.

Busby later had a goal called back that would have tied the game, 3-3. The officials nullified the goal because Andover had been whistled for a penalty just prior to the score.

AHS outshot Haverhill 12-8 in the third period, and 28-24 for the game, but couldn't net the

equalizer.

"It was an excellent hockey game," said coach Cullen. "We had shots hit the post two or three times, and we had the goal called back. It was just one of those nights."

"I'm disappointed for our kids. We've been on a streak and we played well enough in this game to win it," added Cullen.

Golden Warriors' goaltender John Hogan again was sharp with 21 saves.

Ciruso hurt the ankle after throwing a check and landing on the ice the wrong way.

**Newburyport Bank Classic
Triton Regional 3
Andover 1**

Marty Lastrina's first goal of the season gave the Golden Warriors a short-lived 1-0 lead at 8:24 of the opening period.

Josh Hoerner and Rob Busby collected the assists, but Andover was unable to score again despite outshooting the Scarlet Hawks 25-22 including 8-4 in the third period.

Cape Ann League member Triton netted one goal in each period, the insurance marker on the power play midway through the final session, to advance to the championship game.

Goaltender John Hogan made 19 saves in net for AHS, which suffered its third 3-1 defeat of the season.

**Tewksbury 5
Andover 4**

Trailing 5-2 early in the third period, the Golden Warriors made it very interesting with late goals 48 seconds apart by sophomore defenseman Mike Mallon (10:23) and senior Red Line right wing and Captain Robert Kwon (11:11).

Despite going on the power play and pulling goaltender Mike Johnson in the final minute, AHS was unable to score the equalizer as Tewksbury won its ninth straight game.

"I was very pleased with the effort," said head coach Bill Cullen. "Our kids played hard. They did the little things necessary to stay in the game, and showed a lot of resiliency with the late comeback."

Cullen lauded the play of starting goaltender John Hogan, who worked most of the game and stopped 36 of 41 Redmen shots, and junior defenseman Scott Petersen.

Petersen was forced out of the game early with a broken left wrist after being checked

hard against the boards.

Senior defenseman Ryan Boillard gave Andover a 1-0 lead just 89 seconds into the game, netting an unassisted goal.

Tewksbury battled back late in the period, scoring three times with-

in an 89-second span during the final 2 1/2 minutes.

Boillard's second goal of the game and fourth of the season, at 7:07 of the middle session, made it 4-2. Robert Kwon and junior defenseman

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The sign outside Cosmo's Restaurant at 940 Riverside Dr., Methuen, says, "Greek American Food At Its Best". From the handshakes customers give Steve Tsolacos, one of Cosmo's owners, it seems they heartily agree. But then Cosmo's Restaurant is a local secret no more. A Boston food critic called Cosmo's "a melting pot where Greek meets American and the food is always good." Chef, Ron Boivin is the artist in Greek cuisine. His immaculately clean kitchen filled the modest sized restaurant with tempting aromas of fresh lamb, seafood and homemade soup. Many of the items on the menu are Ron's own creation.

Cosmo's is definitely a family operated restaurant. Angela Tsolacos, sister of Steve, is the pastry chef. Like everything on the menu, Angela's baklava and double fudge chocolate

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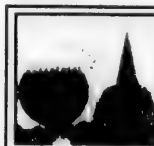
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Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 3rd day of February, 1997.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
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February 20, 1997

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Roundup: Women's basketball: historic 20-0

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Adam Colucci notched the assists.

Sophomore forward Mike Thomas pocketed his second goal of the season with less than five minutes to play, Mallon assisting, as the Tewksbury lead dwindled to 5-3.

Robert Kwon cut the deficit to one at 11:11 with assists to junior linemate Doug Henderson and Colucci.

Johnson added four saves during his stint in goal as the Redmen finished with a wide 45-15 shots-on-goal edge.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Andover High men's varsity basketball team defeated Methuen (66-56) and Tewksbury (75-58) recently, and will next play in the MIAA Eastern Mass. Division 1 North Sectional Tournament with the exact day, time, site and opponent to be announced when the pairings are released tomorrow.

Scoring race

After 19 games Corry McLaughlin had 342 points (18.1 average), Brendan Long 238, Jeff Danis 175, Mark O'Sullivan 151 and Dave Kodinsky 119.

**Andover 66
Methuen 56**

Three Amigos Corry McLaughlin, Brendan Long and Jeff Danis combined talents for 60 points, as the Golden Warriors completed a season series sweep against the Rangers and officially clinched second place in the MVC Large School Division.

Senior 6'8" center and Captain McLaughlin pumped through a team-high 21 points, red-hot junior point-guard Long continued his late-season offensive surge with 20 points, and junior 6'3" forward Jeff Danis tossed through 19 points.

Completing the attack in AHS' third straight win were senior guard Pat Annese and senior forward Dave Hajjar with one field goal each, while junior point-guard Rob Oppenheim converted a pair of free throws.

Brian Bettano

became the highest scorer in Methuen men's hoop history with his 1,196th career point, topping all marksmen in this game with 25 points.

The Golden Warriors grabbed an 11-point halftime lead, 28-17, and traded baskets with host Methuen over the final 16 minutes.

It marked the 12th time in 18 games that Andover held an opponent under 60 points.

The locals beat Methuen three times this winter, the previous victories 70-68 in the Greater Lawrence Tournament third-place consolation game and 64-54 on Jan. 14.

**Andover 75
Tewksbury 58**

Ten players scored, with three in double figures, as the Golden Warriors handled MVC Small School team Tewksbury in the final regular season game at the Dunn Gym.

Once again the locals moved out to a comfortable halftime lead, pulling away by 13 points (38-25) at the break.

Mark O'Sullivan and Corry McLaughlin shared team-high scoring honors with 16 points each, while Brendan Long also hit double digits with 11 points.

Jeff Danis tossed in nine points and senior guard Pat Annese contributed a season-best eight.

Sophomore forward Brian Anderson netted four points while Dave Kodinsky, senior forward Joe Sciollo and senior guard Chris Drizen drained one three-pointer each.

Rob Oppenheim completed the offense with a pair of free throws.

The 75 points marked the second highest total of the season for the Golden Warriors, who have scored 70 or more seven times and peaked at 76 in a recent victory over Billerica.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Andover High women's varsity hoop team completed the historic 20-0 regular season with a pair of easy

wins, a 60-42 romp over Merrimack Valley Conference opponent Tewksbury and a 60-27 thrashing of visiting non-league foe Brookline.

The locals now await the tournament pairings.

Scoring race

After 20 games Charlotte Muller has 352 points (17.6 average), followed by Sue Tully with 212, Sarah Muller 191, Laura Orlando 141, Janice Coppolino 93 and Lindsey Pearson 78.

**Andover 60
Tewksbury 42**

The Lady Warriors' 19th victory was a methodical triumph that saw the MVC champs put 10 players in the scoring column while distributing the floor time.

Charlotte Muller led the way with 17 points and seven assists, while Captain Sue Tully added 14 points and pulled down 11 rebounds.

Junior forward Laura Orlando, junior center Kristen Foley and freshman forward Lindsey Pearson netted six points each, while Sarah Muller buried a three-pointer.

Rounding out the attack with one field goal apiece were sophomore forward Janice Coppolino, junior guards Courtney Barron, Viki Pierce and Jenna Hartwell.

Foley also blocked five shots and altered several others.

Andover led 27-17 at the half and continued to pull away slowly over the final 16 minutes.

**Andover 60
Brookline 27**

Sarah Muller had her most prolific shooting night of the season for the locals, tossing in five three-pointers and finishing with a game-high 20 points in just about one half of action.

Charlotte Muller also hit double digits with 12 points, Julie Litzenger contributed a season-best eight, Laura Orlando six, Kristen Foley, Janice Coppolino and Sue Tully four each and Lindsey Pearson two.

Foley also had 11 rebounds and blocked a half-dozen Brookline shots.

The Lady Warriors

built a prohibitive 32-10 halftime lead.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Wilson Man placed fourth in the all-around with a 41.3 to lead the Andover High men's gymnastics team at the annual State Coaches Individual Championship Meet last week at Newton South.

Three nights later Man and Zach Gray were the top scorers for the Golden Warriors as they finished fifth in a field of seven teams at the season-ending State Team Championship Meet at Newton North.

In dual meet action, the AHS men completed the season at 3-5 with a three-meet win streak after defeating visiting non-league rival Salem, N.H., 106.20 to 101.30, at the Dunn Gym.

Schedule

The 1997 High School Nationals will be held in Massachusetts at Newton North High over the Memorial Day weekend in May.

Both Wilson Man and Zach Gray are possible Massachusetts state team qualifiers, with the all-senior Bay State roster to be announced in the spring.

Last spring seven Andover High gymnasts, both men and women, traveled to California to compete for Team Massachusetts at the Nationals.

**Andover 106.20
Salem 101.30**

Senior Captain Wilson Man placed first on pommel horse, parallel bars and rings as the locals avenged a 107.80 to 104.50 loss to the Blue Devils on Jan. 9.

"We had some quality performances by a lot of gymnasts," said co-head coach Jack Gleason. "Many of our guys hit their best routines of the season, although some of the scores didn't reflect how well they did."

"It was a meet we added late in the season and it served as a good tuneup for the Coaches Invitational and State Meet."

Man placed second in the all-around to Salem standout Jared Burke, the AHS gymnast finishing at 39.4 and Burke at 43.1.

AHS senior Captain Zack Gray was third all-around with a 34.2.

Man's winning scores were 6.7 on parallel bars, 6.5 on rings and 6.0 on pommel horse. He was second on high bar with a season-best 5.8, third in vault with a 7.6 and he scored 6.8 in floor exercise.

Gray's best efforts came with a tie for second place in vault (8.0), a third in floor (7.0), a third on rings and a third on high bar with a season-best 5.2 score.

Senior Andy LaRoche placed second in floor with a season-best 7.6, and he also had a fine 7.4 in vault.

Junior Brian Cutler tied for second in vault (8.0) and scored 5.8 in floor.

Senior Bill Kim finished third on pommel horse with a season-best 5.1.

Strong routines were performed by several other Andover gymnasts, some of whom received their varsity dual-meet baptism.

Sophomore Rick Labbe scored 4.5 in floor, junior Sean Piantedosi 4.5 on rings, and sophomore Rick Sullivan 3.7 on pommel horse.

Coach Gleason also lauded the work of freshman Jon Gagne on parallel bars, sophomore Gary Nicholson on rings, sophomores Steve Arsenault and Chad Cossete on high bar.

The Golden Warriors were short-handed, junior Ethan Murphy and sophomore Matt Drizen sidelined by the flu.

State Coaches Individuals

Wilson Man had the locals' highest individual event finish, placing third on pommel horse with a 6.1, and he added a personal season-best 8.0 on parallel bars on the way to

fourth place all-around.

Zack Gray was fifth (7.45) and Andy LaRoche sixth (7.1) in floor exercise, while Brian Cutler placed fifth in the vault (7.75).

State Team Championships

Wilson Man placed third on pommel horse (6.4) and sixth on rings (personal-best 7.4) on the way to a 40.4 all-around score.

Zack Gray added a fourth place in the vault (8.15) and sixth in floor exercise (6.0) for his two medals, and he registered a personal-best 36.6 all-around total.

Andover scored 110.5 points on its way to fifth place.

Newton North won the state team title with 138.9 points, Braintree High was second at 132.0, Burlington third at 124.6 and Attleboro fourth at 112.5. Finishing behind AHS were Newton South at 96.0 and Revere at 88.25.

"We came on strong at the end of the season," said co-head coach Jack Gleason. "We felt going into this meet we had a shot at fourth place, but Attleboro didn't make any major mistakes so we didn't get past them."

Gingii Storer of Newton North was the all-around champ with a 53.15 as he swept first place in all six events.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

Battling down to the wire just as they did in their dual meet, the Andover and Methuen High women's gymnastics teams finished less than one point apart in the annual MVC League Meet at the Methuen High Field House.

The three-time reigning MVC dual-meet champion Lady Warriors won the regular-season meet, 133.80 to 133.20, while

Methuen exacted a measure of revenge with a 134.55 to 134.00 victory in the League Meet rematch.

The archrivals will have a third shot at one another at the upcoming North Sectionals, but the overall bragging rights still belong to Andover because it stood the test of time by leading the standings over the season-long dual-meet haul.

In the dual meet finale, which capped another undefeated 9-0 regular season and stretched the win streak to 25, the Lady Warriors cruised past host Tewksbury 131.80 to 110.00.

Schedule

The North Sectional Championship Meet is scheduled Saturday at Danvers High (6 p.m.). Host Danvers and Andover will be co-favored.

The top four teams at the eight-team Sectionals advance to the All-State Team Meet on Wednesday, Feb. 26 at Algonquin Regional in Northboro (6 p.m.).

Algonquin will also host the season-ending All-State Individual Meet on March 3.

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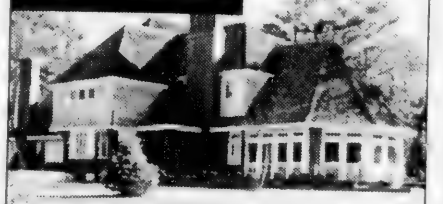
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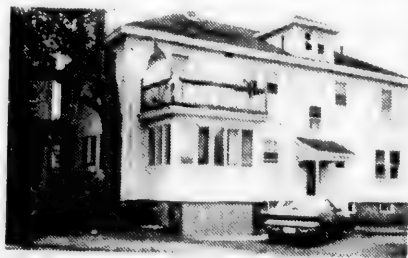
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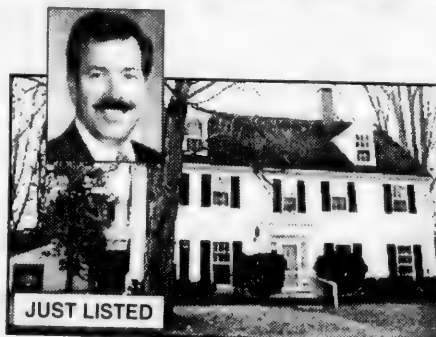


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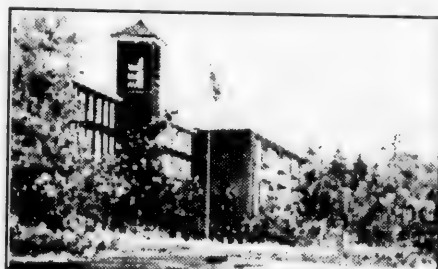
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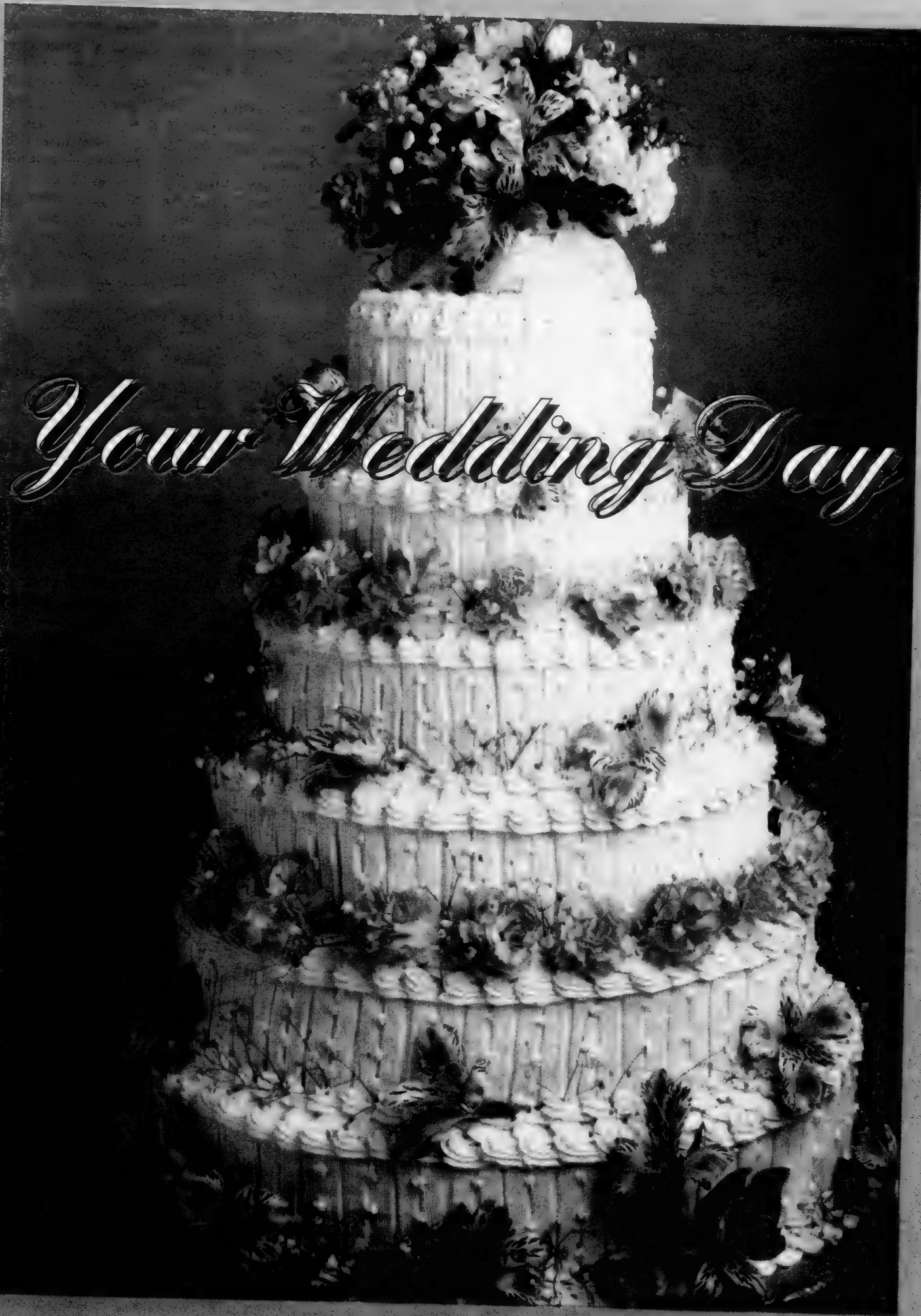
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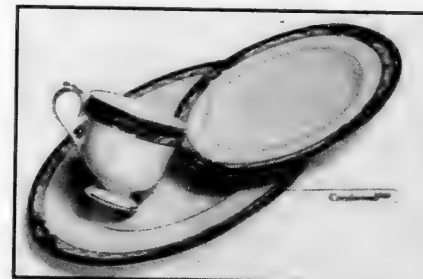
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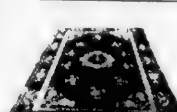
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Congratulations, you're getting married! So have you discussed who will maintain the household budget and who will make the major investment decisions? And, how do you plan to file your taxes — individually or jointly?

According to financial planners, newlyweds spend more time planning their wedding than they do their finances. However, almost immediately after newlyweds say, "I do," they discover how important the role of money is to the relationship. But, with planning and discipline, couples can make sure that differences over money won't change "I do" to "I don't."

No matter what your age, Fidelity Investments suggests that newlyweds consider these simple guidelines:

- **Develop a budget by listing income and expenses.** Make a commitment to save or invest and stick to it. If you factor your saving into your budget, you will give saving the same

importance as monthly bills.

- **Determine and prioritize your joint savings goals.** It's difficult to implement a savings plan without having a specific goal to save toward.

- **Discuss all areas of your finances before making any financial decisions.** As singles, you probably made your own decisions about money. But as a couple, you need to consult each other when it comes to major financial decisions.

- **Take an inventory of the financial assets** — life insurance, bank accounts, investments and property — each person brings into the marriage. Decide if it makes sense to keep these assets separate or combine them into joint policies, accounts and property.

- **Set up a rainy day fund** in a readily accessible account for emergencies or unexpected bills. Experts recommend saving the equivalent of three months gross salary in an interest-bearing checking account, savings account or money market account.

- **Out of sight out of mind.** If you

need help saving, many financial institutions can arrange with you and your company to automatically deduct a specific amount of money from your paycheck and deposit it directly into a money market account, mutual fund or bank account.

- **Determine your investment risk tolerances.** If you are planning to invest, determine at what level of risk you both are comfortable.

- **Start saving and investing for your retirement.** The earlier you start, the less you may have to save later because you will have the advantage of long-term, tax-deferred growth

potential as you accumulate retirement assets. You're never too young to consider establishing an Individual Retirement Account or participating in a company-sponsored retirement plan.

- **Make a will.** Without one, a court decides how to divide your estate, which includes your assets and property. If you and your spouse already have a will, you may want to update it to include new beneficiaries.

- **Talk to a professional.** If you're not sure which investment strategy is right for you and your goals, you may want to consult a broker, financial planner or other financial expert.



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A guide for making your wedding unique

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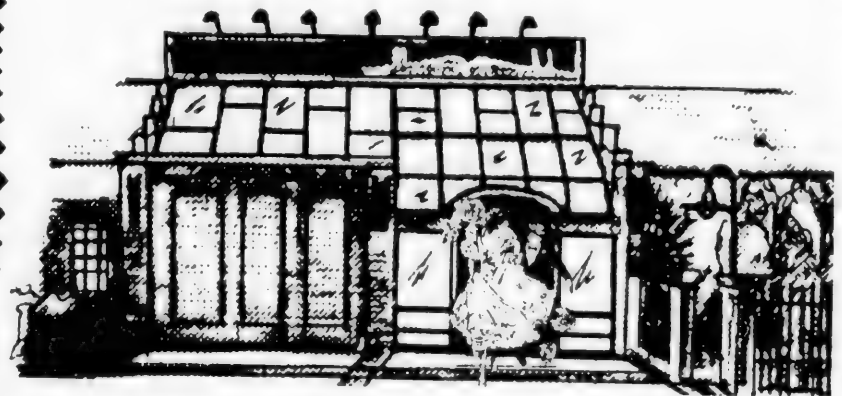
Here are some tips from the "Priceless Weddings on Petite Budgets" section of *Creative Weddings* by Laurie Levin and Laura Golden Bellotti.

- When selecting a site, research the lesser-known inns and bed and breakfasts in your area. The ambience is more romantic and they may be able to give you a better deal than the average hotel or restaurant.
- Consider finger foods as an alternative to dinner — but make them substantial and abundant.
- Buy your own liquor, if possible. You'll realize a tremendous savings.
- Spend as much as you can on service personnel the day of the wedding. They're worth it.
- When people ask if you need any help, say yes ... and then be specific.
- Whether you're coming up with a budget or coming down with a major case of wedding frenzy, keep in mind that your wedding is only a party; your marriage is going to last a lifetime.

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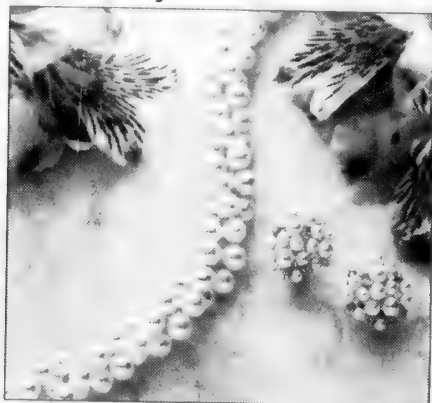


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*Cultured pearls:
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What's the perfect gift for your favorite someone who is planning to be married in June? How about - cultured pearls?

The first reference to the pearl as a June gift appeared about 100 A.D. Since then, pearls have symbolized purity, virtue, devotion and love, wealth, and health.

What better sentiments for a new bride when presented with cultured pearls for her wedding day? June is the traditional month for weddings and a gift of cultured pearls would be treasured because of its symbolic meaning as well as its beauty.

Experts at the Cultured Pearl Information Center suggest that you should buy the highest-quality pearls you can afford, to assure many years of wear and pleasure.

The luster of a good-quality pearl should be bright enough that you can see your reflection on the surface. Try to pick pearls that have relatively few surface imperfections such as spots, bumps or cracks.

*Advice
on
bridal flowers*

While couples still prefer the elements of a traditional wedding ceremony, brides are choosing floral arrangements and wedding flowers that are more creative and personal.

Guidelines to help pull it all together include:

- Before contacting your florist, select the date, time and place for your wedding and reception, and know the colors and styles of the gowns you and your bridesmaids have selected.

- Look through bridal books and floral guides. Sketch ideas, cut out pictures or take photographs of flowers to show your florist. By sharing your ideas and personal style, your florist will be able to translate your concepts and special requests into workable floral designs and arrangements that are just right for you.

- Make arrangements for your florist to visit both the ceremony and reception sites.

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The 4 C's: The key to buying a diamond engagement ring

Putting a diamond ring on a woman's left hand has long been a seal of betrothal. The diamond engagement ring has been a symbol of love and romance since 1477 when Archduke Maximilian of Austria gave Mary of Burgundy a gold ring set with a diamond as a token of his love. Today, the tradition of giving a diamond engagement ring is growing stronger and stronger. According to a new consumer survey, 70 percent of all brides-to-be receive one.

A diamond is an expression of individuality. Just as love is unique, no two diamonds are alike. Each diamond has its own personality and sparkle. Therefore, when purchasing a diamond engagement ring, it is important to become an informed consumer.

To help carry out this very special tradition of love, a little knowledge can go a long way to help unearth the best quality diamond within a budget. Understanding diamonds requires knowledge of the 4C's: cut, color, clarity and carat-weight. These four variables are key to answering the elusive question as to why two diamonds of equal size may not be of equal value.

♦ **Cut** - Although diamonds can be cut in several shapes such as oval, marquise, pear or round, it is the quality of the cut which gives the stone its brilliant sparkle.

Light is reflected best when all of the facets are perfectly proportioned.

♦ **Color** - The best color is no color. A totally colorless diamond best allows white light to pass effortlessly through it and be dispersed as rainbows of color.

♦ **Clarity** - The term clarity refers to a diamond's lack of naturally occurring inclusions, often called "nature's fingerprints," most of which are not visible to the naked eye. The fewer the inclusions the more valuable the diamond.

♦ **Carat** - Carat refers to the weight of the stone. There are 100 points in a carat, therefore, a diamond of 50 points weighs one-half of a carat.

Deciding how much to spend on a diamond engagement ring is very personal and obviously depends on income. Most people find the two months' salary guideline

to be helpful in determining how much to spend. Most importantly, choose the finest quality diamond affordable, because a diamond engagement ring is a unique symbol of commitment that will be treasured for many years.

To find out how to get the best diamond, consumers should visit a reputable jeweler whom they know and trust. The diamond engagement ring is an investment in a couple's future, and like love can grow more precious with time.



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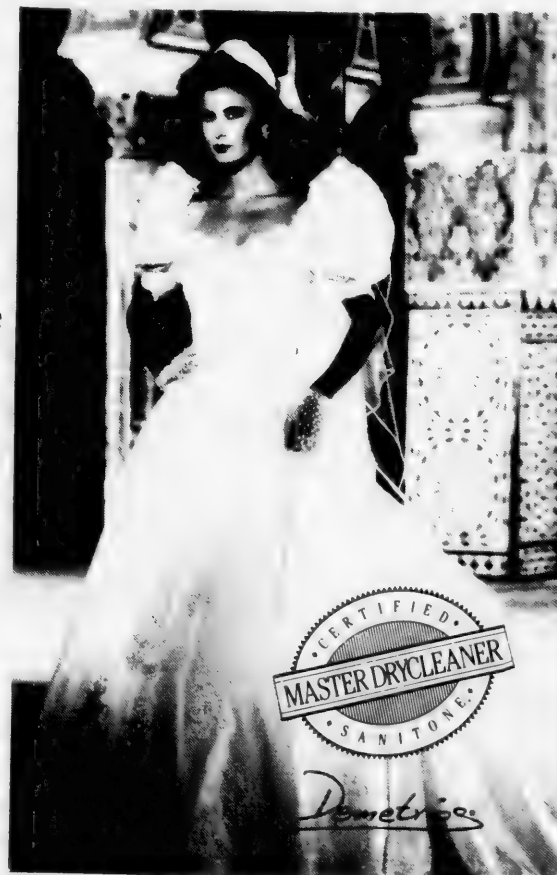
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When the bride and groom open their wedding gifts, they may be delighted with one gravy ladle but five may be a bit much.

Avoid the embarrassment of giving a gift the couple may not need or of selecting patterns of silver or china they don't like.

It's as simple as checking with area stores that maintain a bridal registry to find out their preferences.

Today couples usually select silver flatware first. Even if you can only afford one serving piece or a spoon or two, they will be happily received by the couple.

The china pattern may be available in the newer three-piece place settings as well as the traditional five-piece setting.

Consider coordinating or matching serving pieces such as oven-to-table-to-dishwasher items and china accessories for gourmet cooking, tabletop cooking and casual entertaining.

Once you have reviewed the couple's choices on the bridal registry, you may wish to select other items for their home, such as room clocks, candlesticks and so on.

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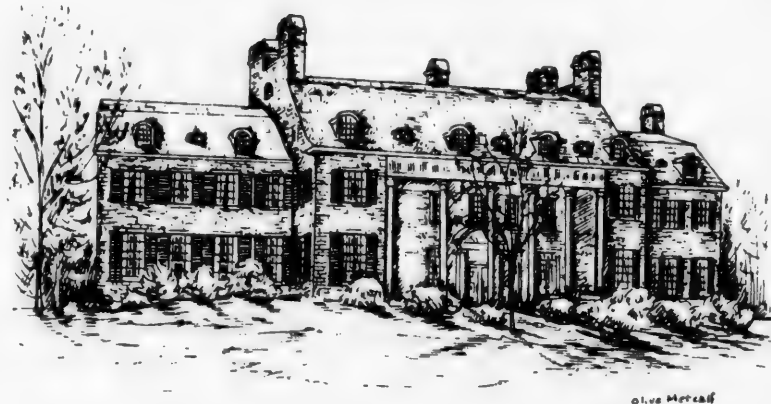
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Here comes the bride: A guide to wedding day beauty

The Wedding March begins. The bride takes her father's arm. The bouquet trembles in her hand. Family and friends rise and turn. All eyes are upon her. This is it — her wedding day.

From the moment her father lifts the veil until she waves farewell, the bride is in the spotlight. Taking the big step is stressful, but the added pressure of looking your best is enough to bring some brides to tears. How can brides-to-be put aside their wedding day jitters and look and feel beautiful? Following are a few tips for near-perfect nuptials:

• Marriage materials

Make-up and hair styling tools are obvious necessities for wedding day beauty, but don't forget to bring along some beauty life-savers for last-minute touch-ups or emergencies. Cotton swabs, safety pins, scissors, bobby pins and moist towelettes can all come in handy. Items such as adhesive tape, which can be used to remove lint or temporarily hold a falling hem, are essential. When in doubt, go ahead and pack it. You'll be glad you did.

• Smooth transition

Making a smooth transition into married life begins with a smooth wedding day. Although there are no guarantees for the day, brides can ensure that their legs and underarms are smooth by getting a close, clean shave. Brides should shave the morning of the wedding with a fresh blade for the best results. Refillable shaving systems are preferred for the closest, most comfortable shave.

• Eat, sleep & be married

It's a fact — diet and sleeping habits affect the way you look and feel. Many

brides are "too nervous" to eat and sleep the night before the wedding, but there is no more important time to do so. Eating a hearty breakfast the morning of the wedding is also a must — most brides are too busy greeting guests to actually enjoy the food at their own receptions.

• Eye dos

Even the most beauty-conscious brides often lose a wink or two the night before the wedding. If you do have tired eyes on your wedding day, remedy them with a natural healing agent. Tired eyes will benefit from eye pads made of chamomile tea bags, cucumber slices or cotton pads soaked in ice water.

• Give your hand in marriage

Before he slips the ring on your finger, make sure that hands and nails are in tip-top shape. For most brides, the wedding day is the first and only time to have hands photographed, so special attention should be taken. With little or no time for maintenance, a shorter or medium length nail is preferable. A French manicure or neutral polish is perfect to complete that special wedding day look.

• Blushing bride

A blushing bride should look like she's blushing, not like she's wearing too much blush. Makeup on your wedding day should make the most of you, not dominate your look. If you're having a professional apply your makeup, it's a good idea to have it done in advance to get a preview of what you will look like, discuss your preferences, etc. It's important that you feel special and look your best, but most important, that you be yourself.



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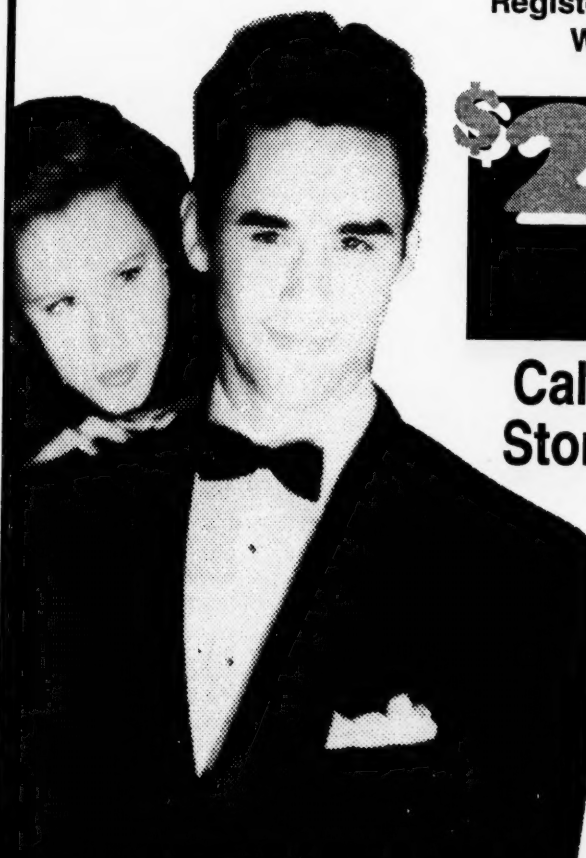


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Traditionally, flowers were symbols of fertility; however, many flowers also have modern-day significance.

Experts suggest that you consult a florist at least one month in advance and decide on colors and price.

Bring along a piece of material from the bride's and attendants' gowns to match the flowers.

Also, make sure to find out what flowers will be in season, since these will cost less.

Another floral idea is to use silk flowers, which cost more than real flowers but can be a keepsake.

Don't forget flowers for the mother of the bride and the groom's mother, boutonnieres for the men, bouquets for any female attendants and flowers for the altar and reception hall.



The significance of roses

- The rose is the official flower of the United States.
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- Most modern roses are descended from China.
- In the Middle Ages, rosary beads were made of pressed rose petals.

Flowers and their meaning

The following list includes some favorite wedding flowers and their special meanings.

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- ♥ Lily of the valley - happiness ♥ Forget-me-nots - true love ♥
- ♥ Orchids - beauty ♥ Carnations - distinction ♥
- ♥ White daisies - innocence ♥ Bluebells - constancy ♥
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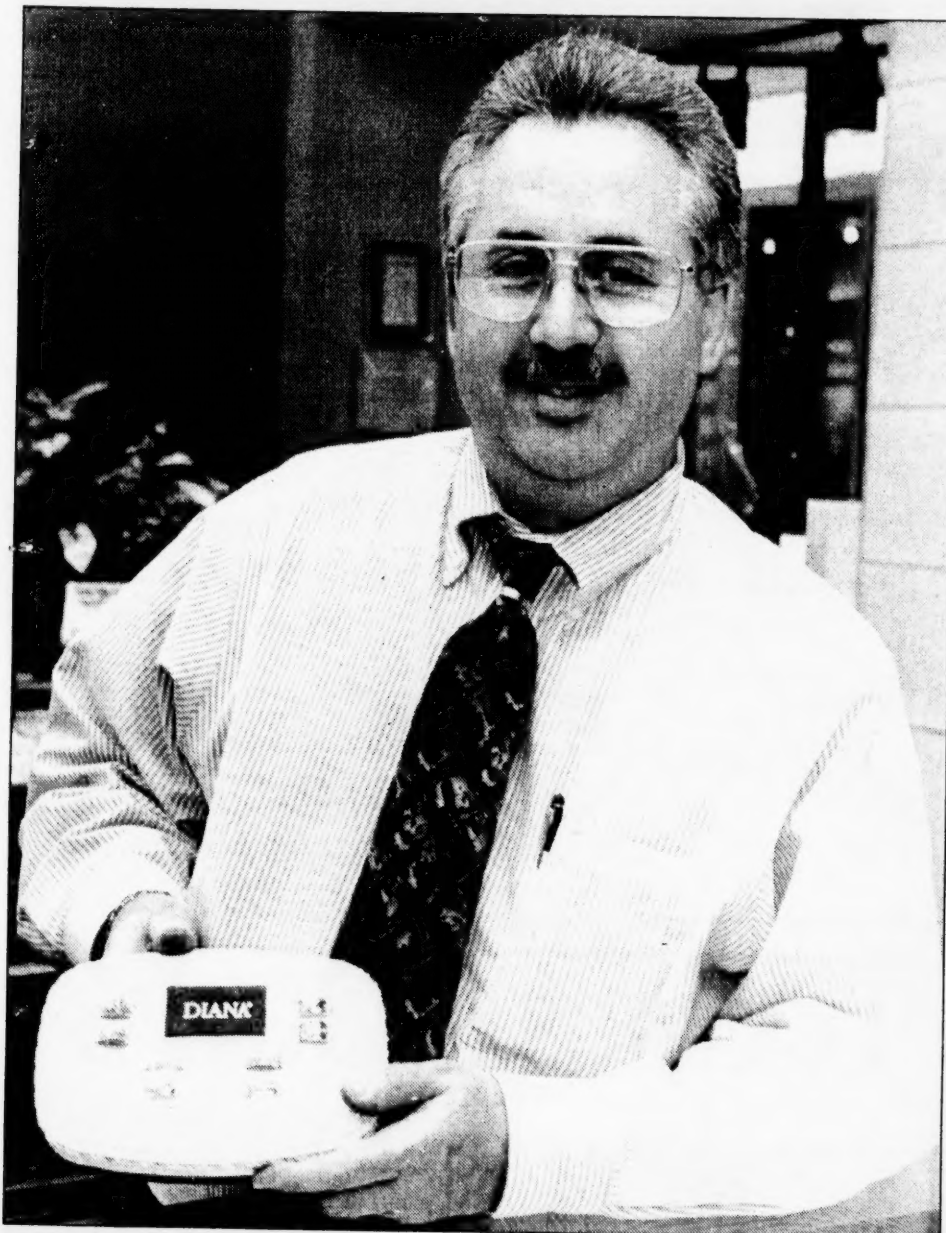


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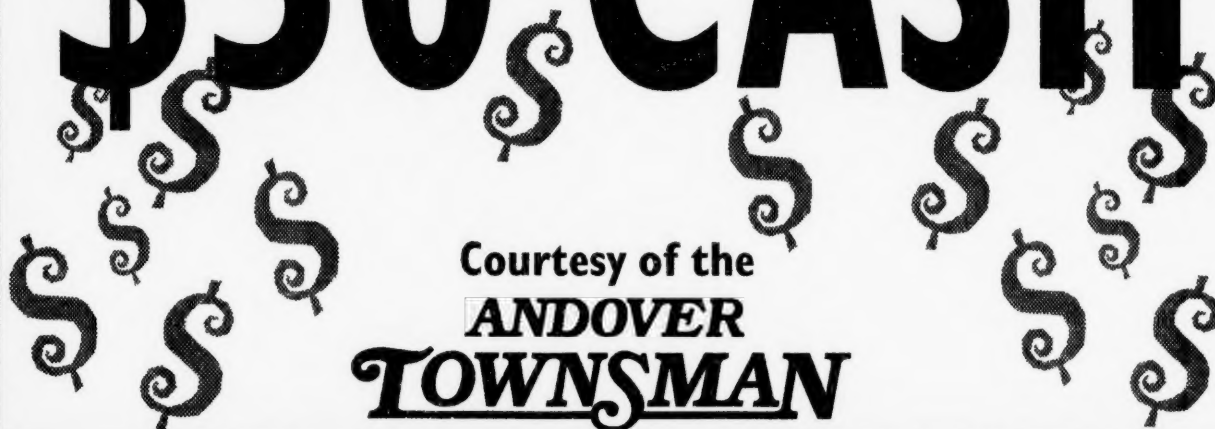
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